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DIARY OF LOCAL EVENTS.

To-day.
(March 3.)
Exchange Banks and Hong Kong Stock Exchange Close, noon.
Racing—Annual Race Meeting (Happy Valley).
Cricket—Volunteers v. Army, H.K.C.C. ground, 1 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "Let Us be Gay."
World Theatre: "Protection."
Star Theatre: "It's Winter Comes."
Central Theatre: "King of Jazz."
Tea Dance: H.K. Hotel, 4.30 p.m.
Dinner Dances: H.K. Hotel and Peninsula Hotel, 8.30 p.m.
European Mail—Inward: Europe via Marseilles (d'Artagnan); Europe via Siberia (Chenonceau). Outward: Europe via Marseilles (Chenonceau), 1.30 p.m.; Europe via Siberia (d'Artagnan), 2 p.m.; Europe via Marseilles (Menelaus), 2 p.m.
Wednesday.
(March 4.)
Exchange Banks and Hong Kong Stock Exchange Close, noon.
Racing—Annual Race Meeting, Happy Valley.
Dancing Display by the Pupils of Miss Violet Capell, Theatre Royal, 5.30 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "Let Us be Gay."
World Theatre: "Protection."
Star Theatre: "It's Winter Comes."
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Dinner Dances: Peninsula and H.K. Hotels, 8.30 p.m.
European Mail—Outward: Europe via San Francisco and via Siberia (Chichibu Maru), 8.30 a.m.; Europe via Vancouver and via Siberia (Emp. of Canada), 10 a.m.
Thursday.
(March 5.)
H.K. Canton and Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd., 11th ordinary yearly meeting of shareholders, 11 a.m.
Concert of Instrumental Music, Helena May Institute, 5.30 p.m.
Hong Kong Boxing Association City Hall, 9.15 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "Let Us be Gay."
World Theatre: "Scarlet Maid" (Chinese picture).
Star Theatre: "Soft Living."
Tea Dance: H.K. Hotel, 4.30 p.m.
Dinner Dances: Peninsula and Hong Kong Hotels, 8.30 p.m.
Friday.
(March 6.)
Property Auction: (12-14, Queen's Road Central) China Auction Rooms, 3 p.m.
Dancing Display by Miss Violet Capell's pupils, Theatre Royal, 5.30 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "Let Us be Gay."
World Theatre: "Scarlet Maid" (Chinese picture).
Star Theatre: "Soft Living."
Tea Dance: H.K. Hotel, 4.30 p.m.
Dinner Dances: H.K. and Peninsula Hotels, 8.30 p.m.
Saturday.
(March 7.)
Annual Meeting, Bank of Canton, 12 noon.
Racing—Annual Race Meeting (Happy Valley).

AMERICA'S ROBIN HOOD.

AL CAPONE AS A BIOGRAPHER SEES HIM.

WHAT IS THE SECRET OF HIS POWER.

AL CAPONE. THE BIOGRAPHY OF A SELF-MADE MAN. By Fred D. Pasley, Faber & Faber. 7s. 6d.
Al Capone—the name is pronounced to rhyme with "throne"—is, though still in his early thirties, already more famous than all but a few of the world's leading statesmen. There have been great criminals before him, and there have been great organisers of crime before him; but he, more than any other man, seems to have organised crime on "big business" principles, and to have succeeded in forming a trust for the purpose of breaking the law by methods of guerrilla warfare.

We are naturally inquisitive as to the character of a man who, in the heart of a great civilisation, can marshal a small rebel army of his own, breaking what laws he pleases as violently as he pleases, and defying judges and policemen to lay a hand on him; and many people will turn to Mr. Pasley's book in the hope of discovering a new stream of facts about the extraordinary career of this King of the Gangsters. Mr. Pasley's book, however, is not so much a biography of Capone as an account of Capone's Chicago.

Ex-Soldier and Gangster.
Some interesting facts we do learn. General Al the Scarface, we are told, is an ex-Serviceman who went with the American Expeditionary Force to France. He had already been questioned by the New York police in regard to two murders when he arrived in Chicago and found work under Torrio—a gangster with the high ambition of gaining absolute control of the illicit liquor traffic in his adopted city.

As the assistant and successor of Torrio, Capone made this dream all but a reality, and by 1927 he was running an illegal business the turnover of which has been estimated at \$21,000,000 a year.

This he has succeeded in doing, as all the world knows, by various methods—bribing judges and policemen, shooting down rival gangsters, getting his creatures elected to important posts and intimidating witnesses.

So eminent a figure did he become in the life of Chicago that, when Pinedo arrived there in the course of his flight round the world, Capone was the first citizen to greet him. The extent of his power is shown in the story of his ringing up a judge, when one of his henchmen had been dragged into court, and

saying: "I thought I told you to discharge that fellow." "Uh," explained the judge, "I was off the bench that day. I wrote a memo, for Judge —, and my bailiff forgot to deliver it." "Forget!" cried Capone. "Don't let him forget again!"

What the secret of Capone's power is, however, remains something of a mystery. First, of course, Prohibition played into his hands, since Chicago is a "wet" city, and was not altogether eager to crush those who were doing their best to make it wetter. Then, the large alien population made it easy to organise law-breaking by the methods of the secret society. Add to this, that the police force was undermined, and that politics of the Big-Bill-Thompson type were a native product; and it is easy to see that the atmosphere of Chicago was the ideal atmosphere for the genius of Al Capone.

The Sentimental Side.
But his personality! Well, we are told that he is a good father, who is never happier than when he is playing games with his son, that he is extremely generous and that if anybody is killed in a gang war he never shaves till the funeral is over. He is also said never to have "double-crossed" anyone who "played square" with him.

He is fond of music, especially of Verdi, and his favourite vice is gambling. And, as a student of human life, he has perfectly sound views on his own profession. "Capone is one who will tell you, and in no moralising way, that crime does not pay. And, if you ask why he doesn't retire he will answer, 'Once in, there's no out.' As 'the most shot-at man in America' he looks back longingly to the days when he was 'a hot, impetuous hoodlum.' Unhappily lies the head at which rival gangsters are perpetually aiming bullets.

Still, apart from a few characteristics and apart from his manifest ruthlessness in action and his talent for organisation, we cannot get a very clear picture of the man. He is almost as elusive as the Hidden Hand. He is never much more than a mysterious force in the background, whose crimes somehow cannot be brought home to him.

Mr. Pasley's book is crowded, indeed—almost congested—with mysterious figures whose crimes cannot be brought home to them. There are more characters in "Al Capone" than in the "Hind," and though we suspect half of them of murder to the point of certainty, their stories are largely secret and cannot be told in full. The crimes we know, but the perpetrators are shadows, despite their diamond rings, their machine guns, and their bullet-proof motor-cars.

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AIRWAYS AND AVIATION.

BRITISH FLYING NEWS.

THE OSPREY AND H.M.S. COURAGEOUS.

London, Jan. 27.

The two-seater fleet reconnaissance fighter Osprey left England on Saturday in the aircraft-carrier Courageous for Gibraltar. There the aeroplane will be transferred to H.M.S. Eagle, making the first new Fleet Air Arm-type included in a special flight added to the flying complement of the Eagle for her cruise in South America waters and visit to Buenos Aires during the British Empire Trade Exhibition.

Behind this plain statement of fact is a story of great and exciting endeavour, culminating in a full-throttle dash from Brooklands aerodrome to Gosport and a landing on the deck of the Courageous at the last possible moment before the big vessel was due to sail.

Three weeks ago the makers of the machine, the H.G. Hawker Engineering Company, received the Osprey—wrecked. The only craft of its kind yet built, it had been handed over to naval pilots for prolonged test flying. A misjudged landing at Gosport aerodrome with the machine falling the last few feet and the Osprey seemed finished with flying for a long time.

Damage done was extensive, involving undercarriage struts and wheels, engine bearers, lower wings, tail unit, radiator. Experts declared that it was well nigh impossible to rebuild the craft, test it again, and get it on board the Courageous in time to leave for South America. The special flight on the Eagle seemed certain to consist of two aeroplanes instead of three.

Lands on Ship Steaming Full Ahead.

The constructors thought differently. Work began at once. Special mechanics were placed on the job. Night and day the work continued and, finally, on the evening of January 20 the aeroplane, completely repaired, was moved from the company's works at Kingston-on-Thames to Brooklands aerodrome for test flights. Time was indeed short. On January 22 the Courageous would be out in the English Channel for the last time before going into Gosport to take on stores for the voyage. If the Osprey was to be flown on to the ship perforce it must be done then, with the Courageous steaming at full speed in open Channel so that the machine might alight safely on the deck.

One entire night of work at the aerodrome placed the company finally on terms with time and, less than three hours before the last possible moment, the Osprey ascended from Brooklands aerodrome in the morning of January 22 and headed south at great speed. The pilot in charge made a perfect landing on the Courageous in the afternoon. One more dramatic incident in the history of British aviation was closed with success.

Bound for Buenos Aires.

Two batches of aeroplanes intended for exhibition and flying demonstration at Buenos Aires have left this country during the last ten days, tangible evidence of the important part British aircraft will play in the great Latin American trade drive centred round the British Empire Trade Exhibition.

Among these machines, shipped in the s.s. Dunster Grange and Avila Star, are eight aeroplanes, monoplane and biplane, and general purpose military two-seater craft. Other aircraft exhibits are due to follow within the next few days, comprising altogether a wide range of typical British aeroplanes and aero engines and justifying the claim that the effort of the British aircraft industry stands second to no previous trade push in a foreign country.

British aircraft "static" exhibits will be located in the Government Pavilion, where the greater part of the space is allocated to firms belonging to the aircraft industry.

The Schneider Trophy Contest. The government's re-affirmation of its decision not to give the Schneider Trophy to any other country is a significant statement in the next Schneider Trophy contest, due to be held over British water in August or September, has aroused a storm of criticism.

Great Britain won the two previous contests in 1927 and 1929, and, according to the regulations, has the privilege again this year; in 1930, of organising the race in this country. Two foreign nations, France and Italy, have entered teams of high-speed aeroplanes. Efficient organisation of the race demands Royal Air Force aid in the provision of accommodation for visiting teams and aircraft, while Royal Air Force pilots belonging to the High Speed Flying Section are the only men in the country qualified by actual experience to pilot aeroplanes flying at speeds of six miles a minute and more.

Immediately after the 1929 contest, won by Great Britain at a record speed of 328.6 miles an hour, the Prime Minister, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, declared that Britain could do as best to win again next time. A few weeks later the government announced that it would not participate in the race in any way, but recent events had encouraged a hope that the decision might be reversed. Now, however, the government remains adamant, though the Royal Aero Club has offered to guarantee the sum of £20,000, stated by the Air Ministry to represent the cost of participation in the contest this year.

The Industry's Protest.

Conscious of the beneficial effect of winning the Trophy on British aircraft trade the Society of British Aircraft Constructors has addressed a letter of appeal to every member of the Houses of Parliament, Lords as well as Commons.

The letter points out that success in previous contests has given British aircraft and British aero engines a prestige in the minds of foreign buyers that probably could not have been attained in any other way.

It adds:—"The cash cost of defending the Trophy has been put at £20,000. What, however, has not been brought home to the public is that this £20,000, if spent, would within the next few months be represented almost entirely by wages paid out to skilled workmen who might not otherwise be employed. The net cost to the Government, therefore, in so far as it absorbs labour from the unemployed, must be substantially less, if, indeed, the whole sum is not more than fully covered by the exceptional employment created in other directions by the actual holding of the contest."

The Society has already undertaken onerous liabilities in the event of a British team defending the trophy in British waters; but only the Government has the personnel, equipment and statutory authority essential to the organisation of the course and the defence of the trophy.

Both the foreign challenging teams have the full support of their respective Governments in regard to the provision of personnel and equipment."

will travel by flying-boat from Marseilles to Beirut and thence to Baghdad and Karachi by aeroplane. At Karachi passengers and mail will transfer or be transferred to a train for Calcutta. On the Calcutta-Saigon section the intention is to carry mail at the outset, but when experience has been gained passengers will be carried. The journey in either direction on this section will take about three days. The purpose of the Company ultimately is to extend the service to China and Japan.

The French inaugurated on January 3, a direct air-service between Paris and Saigon by Indo-China, with a three-engine monoplane on a twice daily schedule. A record flight between Paris and Saigon was carried out in November by French aviators who left Paris on November 8 at 1.15 p.m. and arrived in Saigon on the forenoon of the 12th. This new service will prove a distinct boon to Indo-China, cutting down the time of 26 days by steamship to about ten days by air.

Siam has taken readily to aerial transportation. Airports have been built at Donmuang, Chiang Mai and Udon. These are equipped with customs facilities and other necessities for civil air-craft. The Siamese Government and the people are deeply interested in aviation and official assurances have been given of fullest co-operation with foreign air-transport companies desiring to operate in Siam. Special arrangements have been made for the transportation of airmail to Europe. Over this land of temples and jeweled idols, where the most dignified method of travel is by elephant back, multi-engine aeroplanes of the Royal Air Navigation Company of the Netherlands speed on their way between Holland and the Dutch East Indies—Paris Eastern Review.

PROGRESS IN INDO-CHINA AND SIAM.

PLANS FOR INTERNATIONAL TRUNK LINE.

Until the end of 1929, aviation in Indo-China was more or less in suspension, governed by the military necessities of the moment. Landing fields and points of assembly were not co-ordinated, except from the strategic point of view, and it was not until the recent rapid development of Far Eastern aviation, that the question of civil aviation came to the fore.

Recent long-distance flights have made it apparent that there is a possibility which Indo-China must not overlook, owing to her favourable geographical situation in the direct line of aerial travel between Europe and points in the Far East. The Government has consequently prepared an extensive aerial development programme.

The Vientiane-Vinh Line is conceived as the Indo-China section of the grand international trunk line from Europe by way of Syria, Mesopotamia, Persia, India, Burma and Siam, and in so far as the French are concerned, is the direct link between Paris and their important colonial centre of Hanoi. Ten landing places will be prepared along this section, with special provisions at Lak-Bay for the difficult passage across the Annamese Mountain chain, which traverses the country in a longitudinal direction. The two termini of the section, Vientiane and Vinh, will be equipped with full regard to the needs of three-motored machines which it is expected will be the type most favoured for the long flight over two continents. Vientiane already has a vast aerodrome, measuring 1,000 meters square, which will be usable during the whole of the year. That at Vinh is being prepared, work there being now pushed ahead.

Hanoi-Saigon the Ultimate Aim.

For the Hanoi-Saigon line, which is the ultimate aim of local Indo-China aviation, (connecting as it does the chief centres of commercial, industrial and administrative importance en route) two aerodromes are being prepared at the two ends, replacing the makeshift ones already in existence at Bakh-Mai and Tan Son Nhut. A supplementary route between Saigon and Phnankrang will enable machines to avoid the fogs of the South Annam coast at certain times of the year. The scenic route along the Mekong River offers an alternative to the more direct land line between Hanoi and Saigon during the monsoon season.

The international trunk line has been materializing. A French Company, styled the Asia Air Company, having come forward with a definite project which they have put into practical form with a regular line, which, since October 1, has been in operation between Saigon and Bangkok, where it picks up the French mails brought from Europe by the Dutch trunk line. The same Company has brought out a high-powered seaplane which will inaugurate a regular service by sea between Saigon and Calcutta. Another French subsidized organization called the Orient Air Company has projected a fortnightly service between India and Vinh, by way of Rangoon and Pilsanoulouk. Simultaneously with the inauguration of this line the service which the Compagnie Air-Orient at present operates between Marseilles and Baghdad by way of Beirut, will be extended to Karachi.

Calcutta-Saigon.

With regard to the Calcutta-Saigon section of the service, Colonel Glaize, Agent-General of the Compagnie Air-Orient in the Far East, was in Calcutta recently to make arrangements for this service. C.A.O. 55, twin-engine flying-boats, similar to those used on the Marseilles-Beirut section, will be used, and they will operate from a station on the Hooghly, probably near Durgam, and the hangar will be built on the river bank a short way.

When the complete service is in operation, mails and passengers (Continued on previous column.)

AMERICA'S ROBIN HOOD.

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Mystery of a Reporter.

Even Lingle, the journalist on the staff of the Chicago Tribune who was murdered last year—it was thought at the time on account of his courage in attempting to expose the gangster—remains in shadow. Since his death, it has been discovered that the murdered reporter, instead of being a public-spirited reformer, was making thousands of pounds out of his relations with gangsters and the corrupt members of the police force, while he wore a diamond-studded belt-buckle given to him by Capone. Earning a salary of \$13 a week as a reporter, he is supposed to have received from unknown sources payments amounting to about £10,000 a year. Yet no one knows exactly what part he played or who killed him or why.

"Al Capone" is on the whole a depressing book in spite of the author's comparative optimism about the future. It is, however, a document well worth reading, especially at a time when attempts to organize crime as a business are becoming more numerous. But the gangster does not come to life in it as he did in "Broadway," and I think the main facts are not set out so lucidly and so vividly as in Mr. Sullivan's "Look at Chicago."—Mr. Robert Lynd in the *New Chronicle*.

INDO-CHINESE AFFAIRS.

LIVELY DEBATE HEARD IN FRENCH CHAMBER.

DEPUTY'S REMARKS BRING STRONG DISAPPROVAL.

Paris, Feb. 23.—The Chamber this morning continued the discussion of the colonial budget. M. de Tastes, Left Republican deputy, referring to the economic situation in Indo-China, declared that the gravity of the rubber crisis had been exaggerated. He thought that the planters' production costs were too high and he also asked for a definite policy regarding rice.

As M. de Tastes also commented on the attitude of M. Pasquier, the Governor-General of Indo-China in regard to the trouble at Yen-bay, M. Reynaud defended his conduct and M. Taittinger, President of the Colonial Commission, added that M. Pasquier had done his duty well.

Replying to the charge of M. Doriot, Communist deputy, that 600 natives had been deported to Cayenne, M. Reynaud denied this statement. M. Doriot objected to the advice of M. Pasquier to the natives: "Renew your respect to wards authority." M. Outrey, intervening, said it was excellent advice. As M. Doriot added that the wages of the natives were too low M. Outrey remarked: "You forget to mention the ages of the workers in Russia."

Crisis From Speculation.

Continuing his speech, M. de Tastes expressed the opinion that the crisis largely arose from speculation and stated that the sudden fall in certain Cochinchina securities was evidence of it. He indicated that officials in Indo-China should not be permitted to own plantations, a practice which had been abandoned in Africa. He complained of the inefficient control which rendered easy inroads on the public treasury, especially in the case of forestry. Finally, he criticized M. Pasquier, the Governor-General, for being absent from Tonkin after the trouble at Yen-bay and Vinh.

M. Taittinger and other deputies strongly protested against this statement, adding that the Governor-General had adequately carried out his duty. M. Aldebe Delmont intervened and declared that the Chamber expressed its profound disapproval of the remarks of M. de Tastes.

Credit for the Colonies.

Continuing the discussion during the afternoon, M. Reynaud gave detailed information of the extension of the national credit with the object of favouring the development of industrial, commercial and agricultural enterprises. It was a question of providing the colonies with long-term credits, he said and added: "To-morrow, I shall propose to you the protection of colonial products until the termination of the crisis. Regarding the criticism of M. Outrey relative to the excessive military charges in Indo-China, the Minister remarked that these charges actually represented less than a quarter of the military expenses of the colonies. He added that the rapid suppression of the Communists excesses at Vinh had resulted in 50,000 people being able to resume their normal life.

SOLVING WORLD'S DEPRESSION.

CHINA TO ATTEND INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS.

The sixth biennial congress of the International Chamber of Commerce will be held at Washington, U.S.A., from May 4 to May 9 at which a solution of the cause of the world-wide economic depression and determination of remedies for it will be the prominent theme. There is a general conviction among the business and financial leaders in the important European centres that the first step toward business recovery in Europe is the resumption of normal buying in the United States, and no substantial improvement is within sight until the American people can renew the purchases abroad of both raw materials and finished products.

The question of dumping on the world market of large quantities of grain, raw materials and semi-finished products by Soviet Russia at prices less than the normal costs of production will probably come in for consideration although Russia is one of the few countries not to be represented at the Congress.

It is also learned that the scheme for remedy of silver slump will prepare reports dealing with transportation, commerce, finance and industry for discussion both in group and plenary sessions.

Great Britain will be represented at the Congress by Sir Arthur Balfour, France by M. Etienne Clementelle, president-founder; Belgium by M. George Theunis, former Premier; Italy by Signor Giorgio Boccardo; Germany by Herr Abraham Frowein; Australia by Sir Frederick W. Young; and Austria by Dr. Paul Hammerschlag.

The China National Committee of the International Chamber has been organized with Mr. K. P. Chen as president, Dr. P. W. Kuo as vice-president, and Mr. K. H. Ling as secretary-general, and has opened an office at 4, Hong Kong Road, Shanghai. Mr. Tsay P. manager, Bank of China, Shanghai, Dr. P. W. Kuo, vice-president of the committee, and Mr. K. C. Li, general manager, Wah Chang Trading Corporation, have been elected as Chinese delegates to the Congress and work has been started for the preparation of recommendations and reports for submission thereto.

PASSENGERS.

Departures.

The following passengers left on Saturday by P. & O. s.s. Malwa: Sir Thomas Allen, Capt. G. S. Arbuthnot, D.S.O., R.N., Paym, Capt. L. C. E. Ayre, O.B.E., R.N., Mr. M. A. Annett, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Armit, Master D. Wm. Armit, Mr. A. D. Anderson, Mr. C. I. Arif, Mr. and Mrs. V. A. Bontkowiak and child, Mr. J. Borland, Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Butters and infant, Miss L. Butters, Mrs. G. L. G. Barker-Bendish, Miss E. A. Barker-Bendish, Mr. W. Brancecombe, Mr. J. W. Channon, Mr. A. D. Cleaver, Mr. A. N. B. Carr, Mr. J. McC. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. J. Casill, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Daniels and child, Mr. M. Duggan, Mr. W. Durston, Mr. G. Doust, Mr. T. Down, Mr. E. Endresen, Mr. W. H. Edwards, Lt. Comdr. D. P. Evans, R.N., Lt. Comdr. W. A. Ford, R.N., Mr. K. Fujimura, Mr. J. Finlayson, Mrs. G. L. Fantham, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Graham, Mr. C. F. Garsin, Mr. R. Graves, Mr. J. Barbie, Mr. S. Gray, Col. G. G. Godson, Mr. A. Gentles, Mr. W. R. Hebrons, Miss L. M. Jibron, Miss M. M. E. Harrie, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Hoare, Miss M. E. Hoare, Master B. H. Hoare, Mr. W. Hill, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Hillman and infant, Mr. H. Hatch, Major J. L. Isler, Paym, Lt. Cdr. R. T. Isaac, R.N., Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Jowitt, Mr. J. Kelly, Mr. A. King, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. King, Mrs. M. King, Mr. and Mrs. W. Kent, Mr. R. L. King, Mr. K. Kono, Mr. A. Leggett, C.E.R.A., Mr. Loe, Wm. Koo, Mr. J. M. McWilliams, Mr. J. McGillivray, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. McNeil and infant, Mr. J. F. MacLennan, Mr. E. Michelmore, Mr. J. Marcus, Mrs. A. S. McKichin, Master E. A. L. McKichin and wife (Miss A. Felson), Capt. and Mrs. F. Mooney, Miss F. Mooney, Mrs. L. N. Murphy, Mr. J. A. R. May, Mr. J. Manson, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Moss, Miss N. Moss, Master A. H. Moss, Misses D. and V. Moss, Mr. K. Mimura, Mr. P. Nennum, Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Oakley, Paym, Lt. J. H. P. Proctor, R.N., Mr. C. E. Rippengall, Mr. J. K. Ross, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Russell and infant, Master R. L. Russell, Sir John Simpson, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Silver, Miss M. F. Sawyer, Mrs. E. E. Seelap, Mr. A. W. E. Sterling, Mr. P. L. Smith, Mr. T. Satow, Mr. H. J. Simpson, Mr. K. Schaefer, Mr. R. Sagaya, Mr. J. Usher, Mr. E. L. Varney, Mr. V. H. Watson, Mr. C. W. Worrer, Admiral Sir A. K. Wainell, K.C.B., R.N., Lt. Wainell, Mr. V. Wainell, Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Waller, Mr. J. W. Wollard, Rev. and Mrs. G. A. Young and infant, Mr. and Mrs. Yang Ze Sung, Mr. W. J. Young.

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"CRIME AS DESTINY." By J. Lange. Translated by Charlotte Haldane, Allen & Unwin.

"BOYS IN TROUBLE." By Mrs. L. Mesurier. Murray, G.

No questions before society today are more important than these: What crime essentially is and what to do with the actual or potential criminal.

No thinking person holds that the criminal is solely responsible for his crime; and no thinking person holds that the sole duty of society is to deal with crime after it has been committed. To some extent, beyond question, society is itself to blame for criminal deeds, and to some extent we can certainly prevent crime and reform the criminal. The differences of opinion are as to the range of that little word "some."

In the reign of Henry VIII, 72,000 people were hanged. It cannot be doubted that among these were thousands upon thousands who would, with proper care, have made excellent and useful citizens. We now see that it is our duty to give these persons the right education and environment to make them citizens of this kind; and to a considerable degree we have succeeded. But there is a residue which is very hard to deal with and which forms one of the most pressing social problems of the time.

Two Kinds of Twins.

Now Professor Lange defines crime as fate. His little book is able and his method is highly ingenious. If crime is hereditary—in the blood—then twins, if of criminal kind, should show criminal tendencies of like character. It must be remembered, however, that twins are of two quite different sorts: and we have all seen them. There are pairs of twins, exactly alike—called scientifically "monozygotic"—and pairs no more alike than ordinary brothers—"dizygotic." The pre-natal history of the two kinds being quite different.

Dr. Lange has studied 13 criminal monozygotic cases. In 10 out of the 13 each member of the pair was a criminal and their records were astonishingly similar. In two cases one was a criminal and the other not, but the difference was easily explained. One of one pair had had an accident which injured his hand; one of the other pair had had a disease which notoriously affects the brain.

Hereditary in Crime.

All this, with so much else that has been discovered, indicates pretty plainly that a great deal of crime is a matter of fate or heredity. The man who is a born criminal, and this fact has to be faced. No amount of talk about the freedom of the will can get rid of the obstinate truth that such a man, in the circumstances, in which he finds himself, will be a criminal and to speak in ordinary language—cannot help it.

What, then, is to be done with him?

Here at once we find a vast confusion of opinion. Many people think that by altering his surroundings, and by general right treatment he may be cured. Others, like Mr. Justice Stephen, hold that, being a human tiger, he ought to be exterminated with no more remorse than that with which we slaughter a man-eating beast. There are eugenicists who would say that he ought not to be allowed to be born at all, any more than we ought to allow congenital idiots or "retards" to be born.

At present, however, the science of eugenics is in its infancy; it is more than doubtful whether we yet know enough to justify such an interference with human liberty as this. It is hard, for instance, to conceive a much more dangerous murderer than Palmer of Rugeley, and Palmer's family history was certainly bad. Yet one of his brothers was an excellent clergyman. Had you prevented the birth of the poisoner, you would also have prevented the birth of the minister.

It seems that we must wait, and keep an open mind. It may well be that eugenics will advance until it becomes an exact science; but not till then will it be legitimate to exercise such control over birth—beneficial as it would undoubtedly be to prevent the entrance into the body politic of a foreign and deleterious substance. At any rate, Dr. Lange's work is a very valuable contribution to a most important study.

Bad Boys by Accident.

Mrs. Lee Mesurier's book has ultimately the same end as Dr. Lange's, and is not less valuable; but its whole tone and method are different. It is a book of modesty, some of the noblest and most unselfish work of which I have ever heard; and I could wish it were known to everybody. When boys

of sixteen to twenty come up before the magistrates for the first time, enormous possibilities arise. Some of them are "born" criminals, and ought to be put where they can do no harm. Others are about their sheep accident, by bad upbringing, by excess of high spirits, by faulty environment, by thousand preventable causes; and almost all of these may, by right treatment, be made useful members of society. A mistake of the magistrate may make all the difference. It is therefore necessary that the magistrate should know the facts; and it has been proved again and again that women are far better adapted than men for finding out those facts.

Saved From Ruin.

Mrs. Lee Mesurier has a little band of women under her who, with a patience and energy beyond all praise, spend their days in discovering all that can be known about these boys as individuals: what he is, where he lives, what his parents are like, what temptations particularly move him. On the information they thus painfully collect, the magistrate can act with some degree of confidence. This boy will be treated in one way, that in another, this other, in a third. How many boys have been saved from ruin through the labours of Mrs. Lee Mesurier and her conductors cannot be calculated—though she has so far not been ten years at her work. What will be the effect of similar toil carried on for a century we may dimly guess.

A GROUP OF NOVELS.

"THE WINDING LANE." By Philip Gibbs. Hutchinson, 7s. 6d.

"THE BLACK BOX." By M. P. Shiel. Richards Press, 7s. 6d.

"LETTY LYNTON." By Mrs. Belloc Lowndes. Heinemann, 7s. 6d.

"THE OTHER LAND." By Francesco Perri. Translated by J. Lewis May. Bles, 7s. 6d.

"THE DOGS." By Ivan Nakhvin. Allen & Unwin, 7s. 6d.

More than once lately I have suspected a subversive movement on the part of the novelists; a tendency to say things likely to cause addition or disaffection among book reviewers. Too many of the new novels contain this sort of thing for it to be other than organised and defiant muting.

"Sir Philip Gibbs, for instance, introduces into 'The Winding Lane' a tall, willowy, thin-shouldered creature who 'drooped like a tired lily' and was 'a good soul, although a literary critic'.

Slaying Best-Sellers.

"Although," indeed... I have put the offending words into italics at my own expense to emphasise their full heinousness. There are men, I would remind the author, serving life sentences on Devil's Island for less! And, as a matter of fact, she wasn't a good soul at all. She said of the hero's novel that 'every word is a jewel and every thought a flower,' which was silly; and she once kissed him in a taxi-cab, which was sad. Also she 'slew' best-sellers as a lady in Surrey will pluck weeds from a herbaceous border and cast them on the rubbish heap,' which was simply stupid. In fact, I utterly disown her.

And I disown heroes who are novelists. It must be some months since I threatened annihilation to the next one I met. Yet here one comes again, as peddled and precious as ever. When, for instance, a rather skittish little mix asked Francis Brandon, the Surrey high-brow, if he did not feel that missing passion he missed all, he was at least a match for the mix. He replied:

"Oh, there are lots of things. Companionship. Interest in ideas. Beauty. Grace. Birds. Sympathy. Knowledge."—which leads me to think that Sir Philip Gibbs despises novelists, as a class, nearly as much as he despises reviewers—as no class.

But, really, I have very little in common with Sir Philip's critics. I do not droop like a tired lily. Neither do I slay best-sellers.

Or, rather, not always. Indeed, I have no wish to slay anyone at the moment—least of all Sir Philip.

Actually, I admire him. He is so agreeably English: substantial and striven with the fine full veins of sentiment.

So, far from wishing to slay him, I would gladly make him my best-seller, if I could—and if he needed it.

Lured and Allured.

Mr. M. P. Shiel's reputation is somewhat under a purple cloud. And the publication of "The Black Box" will leave it exactly where it was. This story again has a lurid and alluring fascination of its own. But a lurid wire entanglement could not keep a reader more effectively from it than the entanglement of phrases that the author puts up. For example: She stopped, as in, slim-built, stepped Miss Foy O'Connor, pre-tending to be a prince, but very female really, exhibiting between

her fingers a cigarette that breathed out a grace of rock.

Indeed, I have just about as much respect for the author as a stylist as I would have for a man who chose the make at Hampton Court as a normal place for a walk.

"Letty Lynton" is an almost perfect example of the story founded on real life. It combines the dull duties of fact with the dignifying discipline of fiction. It convinces. And it fascinates. I spent a willing two hours reading a story that I had read before in a famous Fringe Series.

Not as I say, that Mrs. Belloc Lowndes keeps steadily to history. She alters and improves. The story of the real woman in the case is definitely not such good reading as the story of Letty Lynton. But, perhaps, it is rather too much to expect life in its rush to be the equal of art in its tranquillity.

Prize Fiction.

I picked up "The Other Land" with every kind of misgiving. For the jacket informed me that under the title of "Emigrants," in its original Italian, it had been awarded the Mondadori Prize. I have long since discovered that foreign prize committees and I are not always one in matters of literary taste. But I am glad to applaud in public the choice of Perri's solemn and dignified works. And this is an amazing thing.

For the book is not only intensely national but intensely local. It deals with a people inhabiting a region of Ionia; of which neither I, nor the nine-and-ninety others out of every hundred, have ever heard. Yet they become real and important to us as only the aristocracy of imaginary characters do. And their sorrow—which is considerable—is ours.

Do not confuse this novel with any hazy halcyon ideas of Ionia you may have. Signor Perri shows life at its most terrible. And, somehow, he elevates us in showing it.

A Dog's-Eye View.

"The Dogs" has complete originality of subject and a slight slant in the translation. The book is a kind of dog's-eye view of Russia going to the dogs. The author avoids the gush of sentiment that usually overpowers in stories in which the chief characters are animal and not human. His sporting dogs move as minor, but observant, actors across a great historical drama.

Nevertheless, I suspect that M. Nakhvin begins towards the end of the tale to regret the singular limitations he had imposed upon himself by such a choice. For I noticeably grows less canine and more human. But it is a good story, reinforced by unusual vividness of vision.—Mr. NORMAN R. COLLINS in the *New Chronicle*.

THE SILVER SCREEN.

QUEEN'S THEATRE.

"LET US BE GAY."

Norma Shearer again plays the piano in "Let Us Be Gay," her new Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer starring vehicle which is now at the Queen's Theatre.

In "The Last of Mrs. Cheyney" Miss Shearer was seen and heard playing at a society recital. In "Their Own Desire" she played the piano for Robert Montgomery. "The Divorcee" showed her playing at a party and now in her new film she plays for an impromptu quartet.

Robert Z. Leonard directed the picturization of the Rachel Crothers play with Rod La Rocque appearing opposite the star. Included in the supporting cast are Marie Dressler, Hedda Hopper, Sally Eiler, Raymond Hackett, Gilbert Emery and Tyrrell Davis.

"Let us be gay" is undoubtedly one of the finest talkies ever heard in Hong Kong. The acting throughout, especially that of Norma Shearer and Marie Dressler, is superb.

"ROUGH ROMANCE."

One of the most wistfully delightful heroines to come to the talking screen is Miss Helen Chandler in her role of Marna Reynolds in "Rough Romance," a Fox Movietone drama of the great open spaces coming shortly to the Queen's Theatre.

In "Rough Romance," Miss Chandler portrays a lovely child of the north woods who lives with her father in an isolated trading post and longs for life, love and laughter.

All three of them come to her with the advent of George O'Brien, who plays a dashing young lumberjack.

Others featured in the cast of "Rough Romance," which was directed by A. F. Erickson, are Antonio Moreno and Neil Francis.

CENTRAL THEATRE.

KING OF JAZZ.

"King of Jazz," which is now showing to full houses at the Central Theatre, is with-out doubt one of the most joyful, most prodigal, most unfailingly magnificent productions which have ever reached the screen.

This colossal, revue is an all-movietone and all-technicolor medley of inspiring spectacle, bewitching melody, matchless dancing, clever specialties and hilarious comedy; and in all of these its excellence is surpassing.

If any particular features of so great an achievement as "King of Jazz" can be segregated for special praise, then those features must be the truly marvellous music reproduction, the conception and direction of the spectacle numbers, notably the "Melting Pot," the gorgeous dancing by the Russell Markert dancers throughout the picture, and the featured numbers of John Boles and Jeanette Loff.

Boles' splendid voice has already made him one of the most popular singing stars on the screen, but the combination of his beautiful baritone and Whiteman's music in such songs as "It Happened in Monterey" and "The Song of the Dawn" is superb.

Jeanette Loff is so beautiful and so talented that even in "King of Jazz" her presence is outstanding. She obviously is destined to become one of the reigning stars of the sound screen.

There are in all, eight musical spectacle numbers which grandly sweep everything before them. Between these are the specialties and comedy black-outs, in which glitter a galaxy of names long famous on the screen, on the stage, in vaudeville lights and in the most celebrated night clubs.

"WHY BRING THAT UP?"

Charles Mack, of the famous team of Moran and Mack, the "Two Black Crows," analyzed their humor and its success as follows:

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The story for "Why Bring That Up?" which comes to the Central Theatre on next change, was written by J. L. Cohen, the "Two Black Crows," Moran and Mack, the "Two Black Crows," however, wrote the dialogue in their own inimitable manner.

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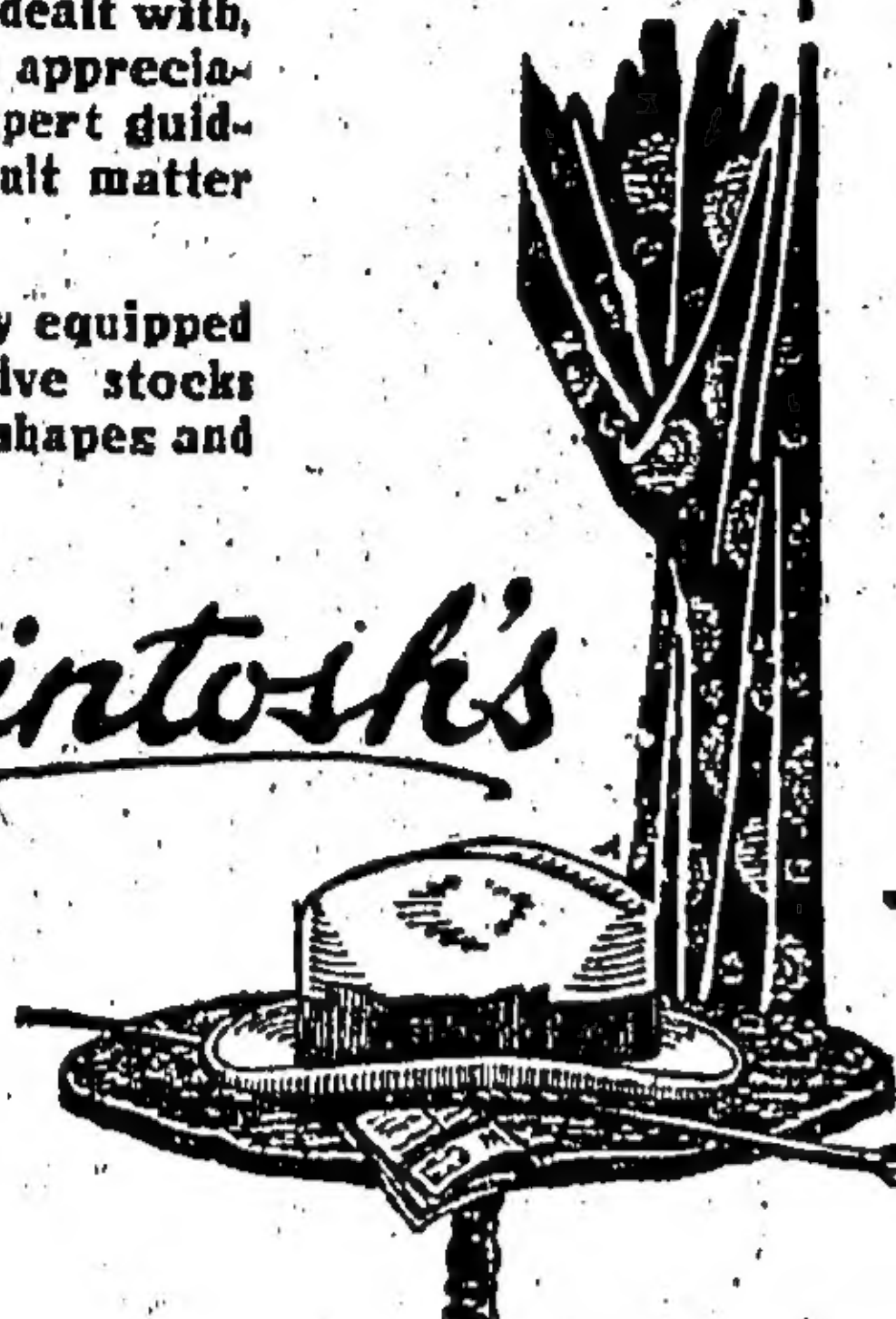
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[By "MORNING DEW"]

Although favourites were beaten on quite a few occasions yesterday, there was a distinct absence of big dividends, which went to show that the public were influenced by the success, on Saturday, of outsiders and consequently took care to see that no pony was too severely neglected.

The biggest surprise of yesterday's racing was the defeat of Apollo in the Governor's Cup by King's Bounty. The winner was beautifully handled by Y. S. Chang, who was the most successful jockey of the day, riding four winners and getting a third place.

The Dunbar candidates had a very successful day, Diana Bay accounting for the Victoria Stakes and Fortune Bay and Cyclamen Bay getting the Tyro Stakes and the Racing Stakes, respectively. Besides these winners the stable secured second places through Glengles and Sittling Bull and third places through Hinawatha and Elliot Bay a one time Champion. The Dynasty stable was also equally successful, winning with King Willow, King's Bounty and Hetman and getting a number of places as well.

The Trial Plate fell to Messrs. Mackie and Grayburn's Spey, with two Chinese-owned ponies, Gold Key and Bright Star getting the remaining places. The win by Spey was an exceedingly popular one, and both owner and jockey were ovated as the pony was led into the weighing compound.

WHO WILL WIN TO-DAY'S DERBY?

The races yesterday leave the Derby question still unanswered. In two days' racing not a single griffin has won more than once. The winners have been Tom, Gold Key, Fortune Bay, Spey and Cyclamen Bay. It would not surprise me in the least if the Derby winner came from somewhere else. Fortune Bay, if he had not been defeated on the first day, would undoubtedly have been my choice, because his victory yesterday was very convincing. As it is, one can only surmise that there was something the matter with the pony on Saturday last. Perhaps the going did not suit him and the softer course of yesterday was more to his liking.

Spey's victory in the Trials was evidence of stamina and one can do worse than backing this pony. Gold Key is rather consistent, but after winning seven miles the pony had to be satisfied with only second place over the mile and a quarter, and what will happen over a mile and a half can be well conjectured. Mr. Dunbar has two good candidates in Fortune Bay and Cyclamen Bay, and the latter might account for an upset. Valorous was twice third, and if he starts in the Derby I think he will not be very formidable. His chances are none too outstanding. If I were looking for a good outsider, I should see how Holly Leaf behaves in the paddock, and if he gives the impression of being quite sound, I might put him down for a place, if not a win.

YESTERDAY'S RACING.

Coming back to yesterday's racing, there were several very interesting features. Wong started the day well for Mr. Ho Kom Tong by winning the Tower Stakes with Bridge Hall. There was very little opposition here except Armony, ridden by Mr. Heard. The latter held Armony well in and did not ask the pony for an effort until challenged by Bridge Hall which during the earlier part of the race had been satisfied with trailing behind the field. Armony and Bridge Hall had a good race up the straight, but Wong got more out of his mount than Heard and was able to win by three lengths. Iron Blood, after wrestling with a bad start came up with a terrific pace and obtained third place.

Fortune Bay Wins. Twelve ponies accepted for the Tyro Stakes for griffins and the event proved to be an easy win for Fortune Bay, who won by five lengths from Eros who again was no lengths ahead of Brunswick Hall. The remainder of the griffins, with the exception of Edenbridge, were a very poor lot, and Fortune Bay's victory does not necessarily prove him to be a pony of very great merit.

Diana Bay Claims Home. The Victoria Stakes was a fine race by reason of Diana Bay's appearance in the event. There were six starters, and although Ataman put up a fast race from the word "Go" there was never any doubt as to the ultimate winner. Diana Bay won as she liked, but the surprising thing about it was that she was able to register a victory in the slow time of 3 minutes and 5 seconds. Glengles was second,

and Pickle, showing a flash of his old form, was third.

Chang's First Win.

S. Y. Chang started his series of successes from the Monahan Stakes, when he steered Home King Willow in a field of 17. The winner was content to keep in the middle of the field most of the way. Aranea Leaf, the favourite, occupied a poor position throughout, and when Mr. Wong tried to bring him through in the straight he found it impossible to get through the barrier of five or six ponies in front. When he did force his way through, it was too near the winning post to be useful. He had to be satisfied with third place. Not so King Willow. On entering the Village bend, Chang gradually sidled up on the rails, and at the distance post he was in front on the rails, winning by half a length from Good Day, who led practically all the way round.

Kilrea's Big Defeat.

The race for Australian ponies felt to Mr. Heard's Wattle, with The Raindrop taking second place and Queen Regent filling the remaining places. Kilrea a warm favourite was well beaten, the pony being spent after the first three-quarters were covered. Mr. Heard handed Wattle very well, but had Kilrea been ridden differently, that is to say, had a waiting policy been adopted in his case, a different tale might have been written. Kilrea is still, to my mind, the best Australian pony and will be worth following to-day.

Spey's Victory.

The Trial Plate, as stated before, went to Spey. This stable has won this event three times in four years, the successful candidates being Peck, Peppermint and Spey. Peppermint was third. What will happen to Spey!

The victory of Spey was a personal triumph on the part of Mr. A. E. Clark, who rode the winner to a victory and took him out just at the right moment in the straight. Gold Key and Bright Star challenged him strongly, but the former was beaten by a neck and the latter was a further length behind.

First Big Surprise.

The first big surprise of the day came in the Governor's Cup when King's Bounty accounted for Apollo after following the speedster closely in the way round. Apollo was hard behind the quest, a policy which permitted King's Bounty to keep within striking distance all the way. The latter drew level in the straight and ultimately came away to win by half a length after Apollo was all spent.

Chang's Third Win.

There was never a doubt as to who would win the Garrison Cup. I have never seen more confidence than that displayed by Chang on O-Moon in this race. Bridge Hall, which won in the morning, was saddled for this event and was the only pony to offer any opposition to the winner. Chang allowed O-Moon to canter comfortably behind the field and brought him out in the straight. He was still holding the grey at the distance post when Bridge Hall drew up. Wong applied the whip on the Hall, but O-Moon was too good, and when asked for an effort just drew away to win by half a length, but it might have been six lengths had Chang chosen to ride O-Moon out.

President Hall Wins.

With both forelegs in bandages, President Hall, started in the Chatter Cup and made a mess of both the much-favoured Dynasty ponies, King's Colour and Nationalist II, which finished in the order named in the Old Course Plate on Saturday. President Hall was kept at the back of the field most of the way and was only asked for an effort in the straight, when he came away to win easily. King's Colour was second and Nationalist II third.

A Close Finish.

The best finish of the meeting was seen in the Racing Stakes when Cyclamen Bay finished a short head in front of King's Justice, after the two had raced neck and neck halfway up the straight. At one stage King's Justice was actually in front, but Mr. Hill, riding the Bay, asked his mount for a great final effort and Cyclamen Bay responded at once to give Mr. Dunbar his third win of the day. There were 17 starters for the race. Valorous was third.

Hetman Qualifies.

Hetman qualified for the Champion by winning the Jockey Club Stakes from Sittling Bull and Elliot Bay. There were seven starters in the race, but there was nothing in it until the straight was reached when Sittling Bull and Hetman fought it out neck and neck for a greater part of the way. Elliot Bay joined in the contest a hundred yards from home, but petered out almost immediately afterwards. Hetman was pushed in the last few strides and drew in front by half a length. Vasylock, Jill, Gay Crusader and Wisdom Stag were among the unplaced.

Frost Again Wins.

If there were any question about the victory of The Grouse in the Valley Stakes being a fluke, it was settled when the pony won the Kalpan Plate in great style from a field of 27. Mr. Frost, after getting a good start, kept with the leaders most of the way. Tunney, ridden by Tung, gave a spirited challenge in the straight and gave every promise of beating Messrs. Hall and Shenton's pony, but found the latter very game and had to be satisfied with second place by a short head. Aencia Leaf was third.

THE RESULTS.

1.—The Tower Stakes: Once Round.

Winner \$750. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China ponies subscription griffins of this Club season. Weight 140 lbs. For each \$200 or part thereof won in stakes at any time 1 lb. extra. (Jockey allowance.)

Mr. Ho Kom Tong's Bridge Hall (Mr. T. L. Wong) 1
Mrs. R. M. Austin's Armony (Mr. A. J. P. Heard) 2
Mrs. Arick's Iron Blood (Mr. L. Frost) 3

Also ran:—Duke of Normandy II. (Mr. Tung); Calder (Mr. Clark); Peter Guernsey (Mr. G. U. da Rosa); Bay of Calamity (Mr. Ph.); Shanghai Beau (Mr. Ph.); Happy Day (Mr. Ph.); Monk (Mr. Ph.); S. Chuan's Avalon Lion (Mr. Charles); Mountain Rat (Mr. Harrison); Mowmanger (Mr. Botelho); The Jamaica (Mr. Pote-Hunt); The Quail (Mr. Quincey).

Won by three lengths; three between second and third.
Time: 1 min. 55.1-5 sec.
Pari-mutuel:—
Winner: \$18.70
Places: 1st, \$4.00; 2nd, \$3.10; 3rd, \$1.80.

Betting.

Duke of Normandy	Calder	Bridge Hall	Peter Guernsey	Bay of Calamity	Shanghai Beau	Happy Day	Armony	Monk	Avalon Lion	Mountain Rat	Mowmanger	Tom Thumb	The Jamaica	The Quail	Iron Blood
38	31	18	285	383	35	21	123	71	134	1	2	10	118	131	53

2.—The Tyro Stakes: From the Two Mile Post, Once Round and In.

Winner \$750. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China ponies hand file griffins of this meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners at this meeting 7 lbs. extra. Subscription griffins of this meeting allowed 10 lbs. (Jockey allowance.) Allowances accumulative.

Mr. Dunbar's Fortune Bay (Mr. Hill) 1
Mr. K. H. Kay's Eros (Mr. Pote-Hunt) 2
Mr. Ho Kom Tong's Brunswick Hall (Mr. Pote-Hunt) 3
Also ran:—Duke of Longchamps (Mr. Tung); Bronze Eyes (Mr. Backhouse); Yankee (Mr. Fung); Thunderous Stag (Mr. Quincey); Silver Key (Mr. Harrison); Atalanta (Mr. Reidy); The Wind (Mr. H. C. Lee); Edenbridge (Mr. G. U. da Rosa); Northern Prince (Mr. Charles).

Won by five lengths, six lengths between second and third.
Time: 2 mins. 16 sec.
Pari-mutuel:—
Winner: \$0.70
Places: 1st, \$5.00; 2nd, \$0.70; 3rd, \$10.10.

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Betting.			Betting.		
Winner. Place.			Winner. Place.		
Duke of Longchamps	24.	5.	Thunderclap	67.	369.
Fortune Bay	705.	802.	Kilrea	1,434.	1,387.
Eros	399.	500.	Regatta	81.	228.
Bronze Eyes	21.	74.	Knightbridge	23.	85.
Brunswick Hall	89.	172.	Evening Star	28.	42.
Yankee	5.	2.	Wattle	414.	730.
Thunderous Stag	65.	104.	Queen Regent	71.	157.
Silver Key	42.	72.	Roadrop	12.	17.
Atalanta	24.	87.	Duke of St. Cloud	13.	30.
The Wind	1.	9.	St. Moritz	127.	301.
Edenbridge	148.	341.	Canfield	65.	94.
Northern Prince	9.	29.	The Raindrop	42.	92.
3.—The Victoria Stakes: One Mile.			Cyrano	10.	23.
			The Bustard	113.	183.

6.—The Trial Plate: 1 1/2 Miles.
Winner \$1,000. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China ponies, hand file griffins of this meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Subscription griffins of this meeting allowed 10 lbs. (Jockey allowance.) Allowances accumulative.
Messrs. Mackie and Grayburn's Spey (Mr. A. P. Clark) 1
Mr. L.T.F.'s Gold Key (Mr. T. Y. Tung) 2
Messrs. Kong-Bro's Bright (Mr. S. N. Pan) 3
Also ran:—Paul Pry (Mr. Harrison); Daylight Eve (Mr. Pote-Hunt); Holly Leaf (Mr. Wong); Mr. Siegler (Mr. Reidy); Sam Houston (Mr. Heard); The Blackcock (Mr. Frost).
Won by a neck; a length between second and third.
Time: 2 mins. 10 sec. (record).
Pari-mutuel:—
Winner: \$38.60
Places: 1st, \$10.30; 2nd, \$12.60; 3rd, \$20.10.

Betting.

Spey	Paul Pry	Daylight Eve	Holly Leaf	Gold Key	Mr. Siegler	Sam Houston	The Blackcock	Bright Star
330	329	124	125	290	348	703	351	577
30	104	1,433	1,716	200	292			

7.—The Governor's Cup: 1 1/2 Miles.

Presented by H.E. the Governor, with \$750 added for winner. Second \$200. Third \$200. For all China ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. Griffins of this meeting allowed 7 lbs. extra. Subscription griffins of this meeting allowed 10 lbs. (Jockey allowance.) Allowances accumulative.
Mr. Dynasty's King's Bounty (Mr. S. N. Chang) 1
Mr. Chan Tin Son's Apollo (Mr. L. P. Quincey) 2
Mrs. Dunbar's Hinawatha (Mr. M. M. Sokoloff) 3
Also ran:—Coronation Eve (Mr. Pote-Hunt); Four Oaks (Mr. Keith-Murray); Erin's Isle (Mr. Fawcett).
Won by a length, six lengths between second and third.
Time: 2 mins. 31 sec.
Pari-mutuel:—
Winner: \$39.50
Places: 1st, \$7.40; 2nd, \$5.40; 3rd, \$3.

Betting.

Duke of Brittany	203	344	Time: 2 mins. 34 secs.		
King Willow	541	060	Parimutuel:—		
Azalea Leaf	1,145	1,729	Winner: \$59.50.		
Summer Hall	13	51	Places: 1st, \$7.40; 2nd, \$3.40;		
Arctic Eve	20	40	3rd, \$3.		
Pacemaker	36	57			
Happy Choice	7	27	Setting.		
Copper Key	11	27	Winner. Place.		
Twilight	6	14	King's Bounty	270	778
Kwanan	45	114	Coronation Eve	1,213	1,863
Scafell	7	22	Four Clubs	63	171
Bay of Bellingham			Apollo	1,711	1,291
II.	130	293	Hinawha	154	634
Demurrer	7	9	Erin's Isle	69	144
Haleakala	113	163	8.—The Garrison Cup: One Mile.		
Scrapitt	75	148			
Happy Hit	6	8			
Tay	125	281			
Good Day	281	82			

8.—The Parth Plate: One Mile.

Winner \$1,000. Second \$300. Third \$200. For Australian ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners at this meeting 7 lbs. extra. (Jockey allowance.) Penalties and allowances accumulative.
Mr. John's Wattle (Mr. Heard) 1
Mr. Fung Tang's Raindrop (Mr. Pan) 2
Mr. Dynasty's Queen Regent (Mr. Chang) 3
Also ran:—Thunderclap (Mr. Quincey); Kilrea (Mr. Prud); Pegasus (Mr. Reidy); Knightbridge (Mr. Roza); Evening Star (Mr. Ph.); Duke of St. Cloud (Mr. Tung); St. Moritz (Mr. Clark); Canfield (Mr. Pote-Hunt); Cyrano (Mr. Charles); The Bustard (Mr. Frost); Roadrop (Mr. Harrison).

Won by two lengths, half a length between second and third.
Time: 1 min. 57.3-3 sec.
Pari-mutuel:—
Winner: \$27.
Places: 1st, \$10.00; 2nd, \$0.90; 3rd, \$31.20.

Betting.

King's Bounty	Coronation Eve	Four Oaks	Apollo	Hinawatha	Erin's Isle	Mr. Parkson Chan's O'Moon	Mr. Ho Kom Tong's Bridge Hall	Mr. Wilson's Mongolian Stag	Mr. Ph. (Mr. Heard)	Mr. Ph. (Mr. Reidy)	Mr. Ph. (Mr. Reidy)	Mr. Ph. (Mr. Reidy)	Mr. Ph. (Mr. Reidy)	Mr. Ph. (Mr. Reidy)	Mr. Ph. (Mr. Reidy)	Mr. Ph. (Mr. Reidy)	Mr. Ph. (Mr. Reidy)	Mr. Ph. (Mr. Reidy)	Mr. Ph. (Mr. Reidy)
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YESTERDAY'S RACING.

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Betting.

Winner.	Place.
Sunny Boy	210
Sunny Day	357
The Phœnix	633
O-Moon	1,392
Bridge Hall	316
Piecy	237
Flornotta	37
Cream Cracker	206
Mongolian Stag	371
Sue Senei	38
Noukhall	60

9.—The Obstar Cup: 1 1/2 Miles.

Presented with \$1,000 added. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China ponies, that have run in at least five Extra Meetings in Hong Kong during the season 1930, two or three of such meetings previous to July 1, 1930, and two or three subsequent to that date. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners during 1930 of one race 3 lbs., of two races 5 lbs., of three or more races 7 lbs. penalty. Subscription griffins allowed 5 lbs. (Jockey allowance). Allowances accumulative.

Mr. Ho Kora Tung's President Hall (Mr. Wong) 1
Mr. Dynasty's King's Colour (Mr. Ho) 2
Mr. Dynasty's Nationalist II (Mr. Chang) 3

Also ran:—Chesapeake Bay (Mr. Tung); Fifty Fifty (Mr. H. C. Lee); New Year's Eve (Mr. Pote-Hunt); Mount Elburz (Mr. Proulx); Marquis Hall (Mr. Coleman); Christmas Chimes (Mr. Heard); Blue Boy (Mr. Reidy); Peppercorn (Mr. Buckhouse); Little Thunder (Mr. Fung); Piccadilly (Mr. Clark); Mike (Mr. Stanton).

Won by three lengths; two lengths between second and third. Time: 2 min. 30.25 secs. Pari-mutuel:—
Winner: \$18.30.
Places: 1st, \$6.10; 2nd, \$6.40; 3rd, \$6.60.

Betting.

Winner.	Place.
Chesapeake Bay	153
President Hall	1,032
Fifty Fifty	39
New Year's Eve	85
Mount Elburz	28
Marquis Hall	57
Christmas Chimes	136
Blue Boy	35
Peppercorn	21
Little Thunder	28
Nationalist II	1,739
King's Colour	672
Piccadilly	65
Mike	102

10.—The Racing Stakes: One Mile.

Winner \$750. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China ponies, griffins of this meeting and China ponies that have never won a race anywhere. Subscription griffins of this meeting allowed 10 lbs. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners barred. (Jockey allowance.) Allowances accumulative.

Mr. Dunbar's Cyclamen Bay (Mr. Hill) 1
Mr. Dynasty's King's Services (Mr. Chang) 2
Mr. Aitch Aitch's Valorous (Mr. Pote-Hunt) 3

Also ran:—Wonderful Stag (Mr. Quincey); Tiana (Mr. Sokoloff); Judestone (Mr. Tung); Cloudy Eve (Mr. Clark); Bright Eyes (Mr. Buckhouse); Chari (Mr. Reidy); Morning Star (Mr. Pih); Frillery (Mr. Rozan); Leveret (Mr. Proulx); Heliotrope Leaf (Mr. Liang); Britannic Hall (Mr. Pan); Christmas Knight (Mr. Heard); The Plover (Mr. Frost); Redskins (Mr. Stanton).

Won by short head; two lengths and a half between second and third. Time: 2 min. 5 secs. Pari-mutuel:—
Winner \$14.60.
Places: 1st, \$6.30; 2nd, \$6.00; 3rd, \$6.80.

Betting.

Winner.	Place.
Wonderful Stag	291
Tiana	195
Cyclamen Bay	1,120
Judestone	18
Cloudy Eve	58
Bright Eyes	10
Chari (late King of Arms)	20
Valorous	79
King's Justice	659
Morning Star	53
Frillery	51
Leveret	27
Heliotrope Leaf	14
Britannic Hall	28
Christmas Knight	63
The Plover	239
Redskins	19

11.—The Jockey Club Stakes: 1 1/2 Miles.

Winner \$1,000. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. Griffins of this meeting allowed 5 lbs. Subscription griffins of this meeting allowed 10 lbs. extra. (Jockey allowance). Allowances accumulative.

Mr. Dynasty's Hotman (Mr. Chang) 1
Mrs. Dunbar's Sitting Bull (Mr. Hill) 2
Mr. Dunbar's Elliot Bay (Mr. Sokoloff) 3

Also ran:—Jill (Mr. Clark); Vasylock (Mr. Quincey); Daybreak (Mr. Pote-Hunt).
Won by half a length; two lengths between second and third. Time: 2 min. 34 secs. Pari-mutuel:—

Betting.

Winner.	Place.
Hotman	1,614
Sitting Bull	1,369
Vasylock	114
Jill	169
Day Crusader	390
Elliot Bay	66
Windot Stag	253

12.—The Kalgan Plate: One Round.

Winner \$750. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China ponies, subscription griffins of this meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. (Jockey allowance).

Messrs. Hall and Shenton's The Grouse (Mr. Frost) 1
Mr. T.P.T.'s Tunney (Mr. Tung) 2
Mr. A. H. Carroll's Acacia Leaf (Mr. Pan) 3

Also ran:—The Turbot (Mr. H. C. Pih); Happy Returns (Mr. Ip Kui Ying); Brown Eyes (Mr. Buckhouse); Fifi (Mr. Wong); Silver Flare (Mr. Liang); Tom Thumb (Mr. Hermann); Criflet (Mr. Arnold); Choctaw II (Mr. Hill); Celerity (Mr. Reidy); May Be Not (Mr. Fung); The Lombard (Mr. Fawcett); Agate (Mr. Keity-Murray); Jester (Mr. Lee); Sometimes (Mr. Proulx); St. Cyr (Mr. Clark); Peter Davey (Mr. Rozan); Falling Star (Mr. Yee-Shun Wa); Foxfoot (Mr. Coleman); Loch Sloy (Mr. Heard); Vanouse (Mr. Stanton); Mascot (Mr. Charles); Jan Stever (Mr. Chang); Sultry Eve (Mr. Pote-Hunt).

Won a head; two lengths between second and third. Time: 1 min. 35 secs. Pari-mutuel:—
Winner: \$10.10.
Places: 1st, \$6.20; 2nd, \$9.10; 3rd, \$25.40.

Betting.

Winner.	Place.
Tunney	540
Acacia Leaf	10
The Turbot	193
Happy Returns	28
Brown Eyes	41
Pi-Fa	284
Silver Flare	10
Tom Thumb	41
Criflet	13
Choctaw II	150
Celerity	24
May Be Not	41
The Lombard	12
Agate	8
Jester	19
Sometimes	40
St. Cyr	42
Peter Davey	161
The Grouse	953
Falling Star	6
Foxfoot	6
Loch Sloy	101
Vanouse	39
Mascot	50
Jan Stever	485
Sultry Eve	27

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HAVE YOU WON?

WINNING NUMBERS AT A GLANCE.

The results of yesterday's Cash Scaups are as follows:—

Race 1.

No. 197	\$1,474.20
" 0	421.20
" 497	210.40

Unplaced runners of \$50 each:—
Nos. 438, 268, 676, 624, 412, 96, 12, 29, 508, 141, 429, 537, 635.

Race 2.

No. 303	\$1,745.80
" 229	498.80
" 274	210.40

Unplaced runners of \$50 each:—
Nos. 27, 199, 494, 634, 68, 698, 294, 291, 158.

Race 3.

No. 604	\$2,151.60
" 434	614.80
" 740	307.40

Unplaced runners of \$50 each:—
Nos. 502, 768, 584.

Race 4.

No. 399	\$2,121.00
" 775	600.00
" 304	303.00

Unplaced runners of \$50 each:—
Nos. 48, 624, 545, 624, 336, 607, 414, 368, 322, 726, 263, 287, 301, 200, 278.

Race 5.

No. 292	\$2,380.80
" 303	682.80
" 305	341.40

Unplaced runners of \$50 each:—
Nos. 290, 749, 931, 745, 844, 168, 203, 639, 76, 455, 433.

Race 6.

No. 1186	\$3,813.00
" 938	1,089.00
" 803	514.80

Unplaced runners of \$50 each:—
Nos. 1031, 200, 363, 489, 1023, 1311.

Race 7.

No. 624	\$3,876.40
" 021	1,108.40
" 530	551.20

Unplaced runners of \$50 each:—
Nos. 1031, 1046, 652.

Race 8.

No. 877	\$3,559.20
" 1177	1,131.20
" 1116	565.00

Unplaced runners of \$50 each:—
Nos. 646, 580, 924, 1496, 1161, 1274, 230, 68.

(Continued on next Column.)

CANTON RIDE.

POSTPONED TILL NEXT SUNDAY.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

CANTON, March 2.

Owing to the inclement weather, the Canton Ride was again forced to postpone its races scheduled for yesterday till next Sunday, March 3.

The postponement was decided upon during the last hour or two before starting. No notices of any kind were put up over Chungshan Road leading from the city to the racetrack or in any other place as far as the writer could ascertain. Consequently, a large number of persons, including your correspondent, went out in automobile to the racetrack at Shekpi in the hope of seeing the races, but had to return upon learning of the postponement.

Your correspondent understands that the Ride will be held next Sunday only if good, clear weather prevails.

Contrary to previous reports, the coming ride at Shekpi is confined to members of the Canton Ride.

KIANGSI ANTI-COMMUNIST CAMPAIGN.

OPERATIONS TO COMMENCE NEXT WEEK.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

CANTON, March 2.

General Chiang Kwong Nai, Commander-in-Chief of the 10th Military Route, left Canton yesterday for Shanghai by train on his way to Kiangsi to direct the campaign against the Communists and bandits there.

The General was accompanied by his staff and several hundred battle-scarred soldiers who had fought in several hard campaigns. They were all discharged from the Canton Military Hospital.

According to General Chiang, these men will make excellent soldiers because of their experience and bravery, and are just the kind of men he needs.

In an interview with local Pressmen just before his departure for Shikwan, the General said he expected to join his troops in Kiangsi in about a week from now. From Shikwan he will proceed to Nanking, entering Kiangsi through the Tai Yu Mountains at this point.

Race 9.

No. 1250	\$3,803.80
" 884	1,043.80
" 798	513.40

Unplaced runners of \$50 each:—
Nos. 771, 98, 1315, 1693, 398, 726, 345, 1102, 1007, 1386, 1466.

Race 10.

No. 381	\$3,351.30
" 545	1,043.50
" 700	521.60

Unplaced runners of \$50 each:—
Nos. 506, 1421, 315, 721, 1013, 342, 540, 763, 772, 109, 1291, 309, 1027.

Race 11.

No. 825	\$3,710.00
" 640	1,000.00
" 510	500.00

Unplaced runners of \$50 each:—
Nos. 353, 1159, 200, 929.

Race 12.

No. 876	\$3,313.80
" 437	940.80
" 238	473.40

Unplaced runners of \$50 each:—
788, 1010, 499, 1381, 1388, 208, 540, 473, 501, 525, 100, 950, 170, 180, 1157, 251, 13, 203, 500, 1382, 100, 621, 885.

THE SELECTIONS.

The selections for to-day are as follows:—

Race 1.

Crown Prince.	
Lobster Pie.	
Britannic Hall.	

Race 2.

King's Bounty.	
Glencleaves.	
Royal Flush.	

Race 3.

Fortune Bay.	
Spey.	
Gold Key.	

Race 4.

King Willow.	
The Grouse.	
Azalea Leaf.	

Race 5.

Woodland Stag.	
Wattle.	
Kilrea.	

Race 6.

Apollo.	
Atampan.	
Jill.	

Race 7.

Eros.	
King's Justice.	
Daylight Eve.	

Race 8.

Sitting Bull.	
Coronation Eve.	
Vasylock.	

Race 9.

Mongolian Stag.	
Bridge Hall.	
Sunny Day.	

Race 10.

Bright Star.	
King's Service.	
Brunswick Hall.	

Race 11.

President Hall.	
Nationalist II.	
Good Day.	

Race 12.

Jan Stever.	
Scaphit.	

ECONOMIC DEPRESSION FELT IN HAINAN ISLAND.

SOME DIFFICULTIES OF BUSINESS AT THE PRESENT TIME.

MOTOR TRADE IN DIFFICULTIES WITH SOLDIERS.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

KACHIK, Hainan, Feb. 25.

This has not been a very prosperous year in Hainan. Around Kachik the two rice harvests were scanty—barely a half the normal amount in some places. Out in the villages these last few weeks before the holiday, many people have been weaving rattan baskets, making all sorts of household articles of wood and wicker, and turning out of unusual numbers of bamboo hats, husk raincoats, and grass shoes, to "protect the mouth," i.e., secure money to buy food. I have never heard the expression so frequently used in my sixteen years in China.

The disturbed condition of the country is a large factor in the general depression. Exchange as yet has no great effect except in the minority of cases where imported products are concerned. A case in point is that of a young man in the market desiring to set up in business for himself. He has a small rice shop and wished to purchase a machine to polish rice. The only outfit available for purchase in Hong Kong would necessitate a capital investment of about \$10,000 and it would need continuous working to net any profit. The market has no electric plant so an engine would be needed for power. Unable to finance such a venture, the young man, next sought to secure the agency here for a well-known brand of gasoline and motor oil. The head office on the island demanded \$30,000 for this concession—\$10,000 worth of supplies to be purchased outright, \$10,000 in cash, and \$10,000 in equipment. So it is difficult to see how the younger men can set themselves up in business these days.

Motor Driver Killed.

There has been considerable difficulty between soldiers and auto companies of late. A car belonging to an agency for a well-known gasoline and oil company went out from here one day, driven by the mechanic instead of the regular chauffeur. Near the district city of Dengang a number of the in-charge police ordered the driver to stop. He kept on, and was shot and killed. It is reported that the shop by which he was employed demanded \$4,

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

HONG KONG CLUB.
NOTICE.

THE FORTY-FIFTH YEARLY GENERAL MEETING OF THE MEMBERS OF THE HONG KONG CLUB will be held in the CLUB HOUSE on THURSDAY, the 12th MARCH, 1931, at 5.30 P.M.

By Order,
T. A. ROBERTSON, Lieut. Col.,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 2nd Mar. 1931. [401]

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF
HONG KONG.ORIGINAL JURISDICTION
Action No. 23 of 1931.

BETWEEN—
FREDERICK HOWARD
Kew, Trading as
FRED KEW & Co. Plaintiff
AND
PONG ZIE LAING, Defendant

TO the above-named Defendant—
PONG ZIE LAING.

TAKE NOTICE that this Action was on the 3rd day of JANUARY, 1931, commenced against you and that the Plaintiff by his writ of Summons claims against you as follows: That the Plaintiff claims that you are liable to him for the sum of \$17,500.00 being as to \$15,000.00 Principal on the said Several Notes and as to \$2,500.00 Interest thereon and that the Plaintiff also claims Interest at 8% Per Annum on \$10,000.00, 9% Per Annum on \$3,000.00 and 10% Per Annum on \$10,000.00 as from the 24th day of JANUARY, 1931, to the Date of Payment or Judgment.

AND TAKE NOTICE that the Court has by Order dated the 31st day of FEBRUARY, 1931, authorized the service of the said writ of Summons on you by delivery of a Copy thereof and of the said Order to some Adult Inmate Resident at No. 11, Yee Kwoe Terrace, Victoria, in the Colony of Hong Kong, and by advertisement in Two English Newspapers and in Two Chinese Newspapers published in this Colony and by posting a Notice thereof at the Court House.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that if you desire to defend the said Action you are required within 7 days after the Publication of this Advertisement to enter an Appearance at the Supreme Court, Victoria, Hong Kong, in default of such Appearance Judgment may be entered against you.

WILKINSON & GRIFF,
The Plaintiff's Solicitors,
No. 8, Queen's Road Central,
Hong Kong. [400]

BANK HOLIDAYS.

THE EXCHANGE BANKS will OPEN at 9.30 A.M. and CLOSE at 11.00 P.M. for the TRANS ACTION OF PUBLIC BUSINESS on MONDAY, TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY, the 2nd, 3rd and 4th MARCH. (RACE MEETING).

Hong Kong, 26th Feb. 1931. [375]

NOTICE.

THE HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE will be CLOSED on MONDAY, 2nd, TUESDAY, 3rd, and WEDNESDAY, 4th MARCH, 1931, at NOON, during the RACE MEETING.

By Order of the Committee,
A. NISSIM,
Secretary. [392]

HONG KONG & SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION.

THE FINAL DIVIDEND declared for the Year ending 31st December, 1930, at the Rate of Three Pounds Sterling together with a Bonus of One Pound Sterling at Exchange 1/2 is payable on and after the 2nd MARCH, 1931, at the Offices of the Corporation where Shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
V. M. GRAYBURN,
Chief Manager.
Hong Kong, 26th Feb. 1931. [394]

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THE CONTRACTS Commence on 1st APRIL, 1931, and Expire on the 31st MARCH, 1932.

Forms of Tender may be obtained on application to the NAVAL STORE OFFICE, H.M. NAVAL YARD, by whom Tenders will be received until NOON, WEDNESDAY, 18th MARCH, 1931.

TENDERS FOR SUPPLY OF TIMBER AND TIMBER MATERIALS should be sent to NAVAL STORE OFFICE by 11th MARCH. The Right is reserved of Rejecting all or any Tenders and of accepting any portion of a Tender. [389]

HONG KONG TECHNICAL
INSTITUTE.

THE INSTITUTE WILL REOPEN on WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4th.

ENTRY FORMS and Copies of PROSPECTUS may be obtained at the EDUCATION DEPARTMENT or at the CENTRAL BRITISH SCHOOL.

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NOTICE.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

THE undermentioned Certificate for 40 Shares in this Company, registered in the Name of JOAO FREDEIRICO NOLASCO DASILVA, has been declared LOST. If at the Expiration of One Month from the Date hereof, the following Share Certificate is not produced to the Company, namely, Certificate No. 1152 for 40 Shares Nos. (3) 9201235, (10) 6490289, (5) 1138111885, (20) 10444510446, a New Certificate for the said Shares will be issued by the Company, and thereafter No Other will be acknowledged.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.
Hong Kong, 12th Feb. 1931. [318]

WEATHER REPORT.

Yesterday's weather report, forecast and remarks, issued by the Royal Observatory at 5.30 p.m., stated:—

The anti-cyclone has weakened and moved eastward, it is now central over S. Korea. The monsoon will moderate along the S.E. Coast of China and over the N. China Sea.

Local Forecast:—East winds, strong; moderating; overcast; some rain and fog.

MARRIAGE.

JULIAN ROACH.—On February 21, at Shanghai, CHARLES OTIS JULIAN, son of Mrs. E. W. MACLEAN, of Vancouver, B.C., to VERONICA (Vera) MARQUERITE ROACH, daughter of the late Mr. C. E. ROACH, and Mrs. EDWIN VICTOR, Hobbs of Shanghai.

DEATHS.

BAPTISTA.—At his residence, No. 8, Caine Road, Hong Kong, MARCIANO ANTONIO BAPTISTA, (Shanghai papers please copy).

LAZERREFF.—On February 23, in Shanghai, NINA EMMANUEL LAZERREFF, aged 38 years. Dearest beloved wife of P. A. LAZERREFF.

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INDIA'S BUDGET.

INDIA, like the rest of the world, with the sole exception of Great Britain, is becoming increasingly protectionist. After the Mutiny a low tariff was devised on cotton goods, in addition to that already imposed on manufactured articles, but from 1892 to 1894 the country enjoyed the full blessings of Free Trade. In the latter year, tariffs were started again and the customs, which include export as well as import duties, last year accounted for over half the revenue of the Central Government. Now, in order to meet a deficit of 14 crores (a crore is £750,000), considerable increases were announced by the Finance Minister of the Executive Council, Sir GEORGE SCHUSTER, in introducing the budget. The new taxes are evidently framed with a view to meeting political demands half way, as well as to raising revenue. Mr. GANDHI, it will be remembered, has called for complete prohibition in India, and the Government gives him an increase in duties from 30 to 40 per cent. on wines and spirits and 60 per cent. on beer. Cotton duties go up five per cent., which will hardly please Manchester, while motor spirit and kerosene also have to pay more, but the extra duty is hardly sufficient to restore the quiet of the pre-automobile age to the highways of India. The import duty on sugar is to go up, and between five and ten lakhs are to be used in subsidising the sugar industry and for research work for the benefit of that commodity.

The references to silver will be of special interest to Hong Kong. They do not offer, however, very much encouragement, though the Finance Minister strenuously maintains that the proposed increase of two annas an ounce on silver bullion will not affect India's con-

sumption of that metal. Sir GEORGE SCHUSTER is not very sympathetic in his attitude towards America's suggestions that while that country should go on producing as before from her mines, the Indian Government should refrain from selling. He thought that a "one-sided arrangement." The Chairman of the Directors of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank emphasised this aspect of the silver problem, no nation being prepared to make sacrifices, and at the same time have the mortification of seeing other nations reap the benefits. Once more it was stated that the silver slump is a symptom of the world's economic depression. But, other metals have fallen equivalently and the causes might be the same.

"If there is to be any international Conference for dealing with silver it would be of far greater value to the world if it could also deal with those other factors in the present world situation, which might be effected by international co-operation." The unfortunate thing is that every country has excellent reasons for not making sacrifices. If all "played fair" each would benefit in the end, but that is not practical politics. Meanwhile India is carefully fostering her industries and putting her own interests first. And that is what every other country is doing, with, perhaps, one exception!

NEW YORK TO INDIA IN
11 DAYS.

ARRANGEMENTS have recently been completed between Imperial Airways, the Cunard Steamship Company, and the White Star Line for the institution of a new combined high-speed air and ocean freight service which is at first to extend from New York via London to India. It is also hoped, in the near future, to arrange connections with the trans-American air-mail service, giving a 12,000 miles air-ocean-air service from San Francisco to India. A parcel from the western seaboard of America will be established with White Star and Cunard eastbound Royal Mail liners, such as the "Olympic" or "Aquitania." After its 3,000 miles ocean passage in one of these vessels, the parcel will be transferred to an Armstrong-Siddeley air-liner of Imperial Airways for its journey over Europe to Athens. Then, after an aerial voyage above the Mediterranean in a large 3-engine Short-Jupiter flying boat, the parcel will be transferred again to a big De Havilland-Jupiter land-plane for its final stages across the Gulf and India. By this air and ocean route a parcel will be conveyed from San Francisco to India in not more than 14 days, while the time of transit from New York to India will be only 11 days.

Mr. A. Douglas Cowburn, the South London coroner, gave a few words of advice to mothers at a Comberwell inquest. "It cannot be too often emphasised," he said, "how dangerous it is to take young children into bed with parents. They should be put in a separate cot. If parents cannot get a cot then they should get an orange box from the nearest greengrocer and pad the box with suitable material so that the child can lie snug and warm."

★ News and Views ★

The Economic Mission Dinner.

The dinner given on Friday night by the British Economic Mission was perhaps the best affair of its kind, as regards menu and wines, that there has been in Hong Kong for a very long time. The array of glasses in front of each cover was quite formidable, and the little nip of vodka with which the meal started laid an excellent foundation. Many Scotsmen were sturdily faithful to the native brew, but most of the guests found the opening glass of sherry so good that they could refuse nothing after that. The speeches were eloquent, and to the point and the evening in every way enjoyable. It was certainly a triumph for the Peninsula Hotel and all who were responsible for "the arrangements" not forgetting the host chief.

"Father Thames."

Mr. Edgar Shand, "the Father of the Thames Steamers," as he has been called, has died at the age of 84. He was a most interesting old gentleman with an encyclopaedic knowledge of the Thames. When he joined the company that ran the Royal Sovereign it was one of his hobbies to mingle with the passengers aboard on the trips to Southend and Margate and to point out various features on either bank and to explain such craft as the vessel passed. His face would light up with joy when he saw a picturesque "wind-jammer," though he never served in sail, for he started life as a waterman and worked his way up to become secretary of the old London Steamship Company and to buy, about 20 years ago, 14 L.C.C. steamers.

"Jir's" Mother.

The mother of Lord Brentford and Sir Maxwell Hicks, who has died in her 91st year at her home at Bromley, where she lived so that she could still keep in touch with her successful family, had a feeling of direct responsibility for her children's characters and behaviour which is held by few young mothers of to-day. At 87 or so Mrs. Hicks, still in great mental vigour, told the *Evening Standard* something of her educational methods. She gave her children, exercises in self-denial and trained them to be actively charitable. "It's true, mother, what you told us about God giving back what you gave Him," one of her little boys told her excitedly one day. "I gave a penny to a beggar this afternoon and soon after I found a shilling."

Mr. Briand's Health.

The anxieties expressed some months ago regarding the state of M. Briand's health and the security of his political position have proved unfounded. Politically, he is for the moment, stronger than ever before. True it is that some time ago he was afflicted with a slight nervous weakness due to overstrain. It was said that he was suffering from apoplexy. And at Geneva the other day the fact that he read his opening speech from a typewritten sheet was taken as confirmation of this affliction. In fact, however, this departure from his usual extempore method was due only to the fact that he imagined that his speech was being broadcast. And in his subsequent addresses to the Council he showed all his wonted eloquence, and, on one occasion at least, he surpassed even himself as a master of extempore.

★ Local Notes and Events ★

Lady Peel has kindly consented to distribute the prizes at the Central British School annual prize-giving ceremony on Tuesday, March 10, at St. Andrew's Church Hall.

For the 24 hours ended February 27, there were two cases of typhoid fever, and for the 48 hours ended March 1, there was one case (non-Chinese) of typhoid fever and one case of diphtheria.

Sir Robert Ho Tung-nak, who has given towards the new Po Leung Kuk in Hong Kong, is a donation in memory of his late mother, and a portrait of Sir Robert's mother, and not of himself will be hung in the hall of the building.

According to a police report, there has been a warrant issued for the arrest of Terence Joseph Woods, managing partner of the Combined Traders Association. He is alleged to have obtained 375 in bank notes by false pretences from Pun King, accountant of the Tung Lee money-changer shop in Queen's Road.

Launching a New Colour.

The Paris dress designers have provided a great many ingenious minor novelties to brighten their collections. At one of the shows a yellow dress was called "Schoum," and the mannequin who wore it carried a bottle of "Schoum" to show how exactly the colour of the liquid and the fabric matched. "Schoum" is some kind of medicine for the liver.

An Eton Dame.

The death has occurred of Lady Georgiana Legge, sole surviving sister of Lord Dartmouth, but known to fame and generations of old Etonians as Dame to Mr. Goodhart's house. For many years in this capacity she watched over the health and cleanliness of the boys with brisk and efficient kindness. Lady Georgiana was more Etonian than any Etonian. Her house-patriotism was unexampled. During the House football cup she would appear arrayed in the House-colour shirt, and she was exceedingly sharp to lower boys who did not share and openly manifest her own exuberant enthusiasm. She was indeed a popular and original figure. Many Etonians will for long remember her green leather boots and her top-hat brushed so that each fibre of the pile stood out like quills upon the fretful porcupine.

Better Than "The Bird."

Paris has discovered a new toy and is playing with it as only Paris can. Next to the old Cigite music-hall in the Boulevard Clichy they have just opened a tiny place called the Kourmi. It is long and narrow, like an English village hall, with a gallery at one side. The stalls cost 10 francs. The first part of the entertainment, which varies from good to indifferent, is provided by professional variety performers. The second half is furnished by ambitious amateurs, and then the real fun begins, for their fate may be the dreaded hook—"to crochet." It is all so simple. If an amateur pleases, the audience about their approval and a week's engagement is the reward. If not, there is no question of a polite intimation from the stage manager or the ringing down of the curtain. In the middle of the song or at the sign of serious impatience on the part of the audience, an enormous hook is projected from the wings and the unfortunate performers (painlessly) hooked out of sight.

MY BIRTHDAY.

He's waiting at the garden gate
When I come down the lane,
And accuses me of being late
Again.
He lifts his face for me to kiss
And grips my hand so tight;
My coming seems to give him bliss
To-night.
Mysteriously he drags me home
With hasty little stride
Opens the door and bids me come
Inside.
He leads me to the table laid
For tea—eyes opened wide—
And shows a cake, his mother made,
With pride.
Says he, "There is your Birthday cake!"
We made it, just us two;
Myself I put the sweeties on
For you."
JOHN WILLIAMS.

Mr. John Charles Oswald, of Croydon, Surrey, and late of Fochow, who died on June 21, 1930, left Hong Kong estate to the value of £22,100, and gross personally, including gross realty, of \$33,324. He re-incised a former will, by virtue of which left his wife, Miss Louise Oswald, sole beneficiary and executrix, and she has been granted the receding of the probate.

Looking Back 25 Years.

In the second month's round of the Hong Kong Volunteer Reserve Association for the Governor's Cup, 1930, Mr. W. J. Saunders put in the highest card and thus holds the cup during March and also takes the first spoon presented by the Association. Messrs. J. C. Gow and J. H. Pidgeon also receive spoons.—*Hong Kong Daily Press*, March 3, 1931.

Looking Back 50 Years.

The retirement of Admiral Sir William King Hall, K.C.B., from the active list of the Royal Navy, after a service of upwards of fifty years, devoted to his country, is

SUMMARY OF NEWS

Local.

The death occurred yesterday of Mr. M. A. Baptista, an old resident of the Colony. Page 9.

Miss Olive Hulbert, of Southampton, was married to Mr. Ernest Bird at St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon yesterday. Page 5.

To-day's wireless programme. Page 6.

Sport.

Junior cricket notes: By "L. D. W." Page 8.

Full details of yesterday's racing. Page 4 and 5.

Latest Cables.

A sensation has been caused by the resignation of Hu Han Min, which the Central Executive Committee has accepted. Page 7.

It is officially announced that the casualties resulting from the hurricane that visited Fiji total 160 deaths. Page 7.

The British Treasury will receive £1,000,000 in death duties from the estate of the late Sir Vernon Wells, who left £2,100,000. Page 7.

The report that the naval parleys at Paris and Rome have resulted satisfactorily is welcomed in Japanese official circles. Page 7.

Sir Miles Lampson, British Minister, called on the Foreign Minister, Dr. C. T. Wang, yesterday morning and resumed the extrality negotiations. Page 7.

An inspired report appearing in the Japanese vernacular papers contains the figures decided upon at the Naval Agreement discussions at Rome and Paris. Page 7.

The Minister for Railways, Mr. Sun Fo, yesterday opened the National Railway Transportation Conference, when he declared that the various Government railways were on the verge of bankruptcy. Page 7.

According to the *Echo de Paris*, the French Fleet will be 60,000 tons, giving a superiority of 160,000 tons over Italy. France and Italy will have the same number of 10,000-ton cruisers, while 70,000 tons of submarines are allotted to France. Page 7.

The Standing Committee of the Nanking Central Executive Committee yesterday decided to include among the urgent measures to be discussed by the National Convention to be held on May 5 the question of the adoption of a Provisional Constitution during the "political tutelage period," pending the promulgation of a Permanent Constitution for the "Constitutional Period." Page 7.

Mr. Churchill's Hat.

Mr. Churchill has resuscitated one of his famous hats—the old-fashioned top hat which is something between a bowler and a top hat. Mr. Churchill is never, in the Parliamentary phrase, "covered" in the House, on one occasion he startled members by appearing on the Treasury Bench in a silk hat. That, however, was the result of a challenge made to him at a luncheon. Mr. Churchill has not now gone back to the type of hat at one time widely worn by cabinet members because he was dared to do it. He does it because he likes it.

gazzetted. The son of the late Surgeon James Hall, Sir William King Hall was born in 1816. When a mere boy of thirteen he was entered, in 1829, on the books of His Majesty's ship *Rapid*, as a volunteer of the second class. After a career of active service in all parts of the world he, in 1856, was commissioned the Calcutta as Flag-Captain to Sir Michael Seymour, in China, and sailed for that station. He was especially brought to notice for his gallant services at the capture of the Bogues Fort, first entry into Canton in November 1856, capture of Canton in December, and capture of the Peiho Fort in May, 1858, during the whole of which operations he occupied a conspicuous position commanding a portion of the landing parties in each instance. Captain Hall, it may be mentioned, was prevented being present at Fuzhou in consequence of his being urgently required by the Governor of Hong Kong to avert a threatened descent on the island.—*Hong Kong Daily Press*, March 3, 1931.

HU HAN MIN RESIGNS.

CREATES SENSATION IN CHINESE CIRCLES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

NANKING, March 2. It is officially announced that Hu Han Min has resigned, and that the Central Executive Committee has accepted his resignation.

Repercussions on Political Situation Expected.

LATER. The acceptance of Hu Han Min's resignation has caused a sensation amongst the Chinese, and it is expected to have most important repercussions on the political situation, as he heads a very important clique of political members of the Kuomintang.

The split has been growing up at great length between the civilian elements of the Kuomintang headed by Hu Han Min and the military elements headed by Chiang Kai Shek.

The latter to-day publicly expressed his disapproval of Hu Han Min's attitude, charging him with insisting that the Government should carry out his own wishes as head of the Government's legislative body and refusing to abide by the decision of the majority of Government leaders.

DEVELOPMENT OF HAICHOW.

PROPOSAL TO CONSTRUCT A MODERN SHIPPING PORT.

(Chin Wan Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, March 2. It is authoritatively stated by a spokesman of the Nanking Ministry of Railways that the latter is planning the development of Haichow, a seaport in north-eastern Kiangsu, into a modern shipping port.

Experts are invited to engage in drafting a detailed scheme, the principle item of which is the construction of a harbour similar in size to that of Tientsin and capable of accommodating ocean-going liners. This harbour construction work is expected to cover a period of ten years.

Mr. Sun Fo, Railway Minister, is expected to inspect Haichow at an early date.

CHINA'S AERIAL TRANSPORT SERVICES.

(Wah Tsz Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, March 2. The regular air transport service between Hankow and Ichang is expected to commence on the 15th inst. by the China Aviation Company, while the Shanghai-Canton air line is scheduled to be introduced shortly after March.

FENG YU HSIANG'S RETIREMENT.

(Wah Tsz Yat Pao.)

PEIPING, March 2. According to a report from Tsin-yuenfu, Feng Yu Hsiang, who is residing in Fenchow, Shanai, has declared that he has no intention to engage further in military activities and prefers leading a private life. He is reported to have conveyed his wish through an agent to the Nanking authorities for the grant of funds to enable him to go abroad.

WILLS' BOON TO THE TREASURY.

ANOTHER MILLION IN DEATH DUTIES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 1. Tolmeco is supplying the Treasury with another £1,000,000 in death duties.

The estate of Sir Vernon Wills, director of the Imperial Tobacco Company, who died on February 1, has been provisionally valued at £2,100,000.

His wife and his eldest son are the chief beneficiaries. The late Sir Vernon Wills, who died in 1928, left £10,000,000, of which the Treasury took £4,000,000. Since 1909, 11 members of the Wills family have died, leaving an aggregate of £10,000,000.

CHINA'S POLITICAL TUTELAGE PERIOD.

NATIONAL CONVENTION'S "URGENT MEASURES."

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

NANKING, March 2. It is officially stated that the Standing Committee of the Central Executive Committee this morning decided to include among the urgent measures to be discussed by the National Convention on May 5 the question of the adoption of the Provisional Constitution during the "political tutelage period," pending the promulgation of a permanent Constitution for the constitutional period, considering this to be in strict conformity with Sun Yat Sen's views.

Hu Han Min, the noted Chairman of the Legislative Yuan, who is holding contrary views, tendered his resignation, which the Committee accepted.

Lin Sen, Vice-President of the Legislative Yuan, has been appointed President and Shao Yung Chung Vice-President.

The communiqué adds that "Hu Han Min will remain at Nanking to assist the Government."

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FIRE DESTROYS TROTSKY'S HOUSE.

WORKS OF GREAT HISTORICAL VALUE LOST.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

CONSTANTINOPLE, March 1. The house in which M. Trotsky is living on Prinkipo Island, a resort on the sea of Marmora, was burned down early this morning.

M. Trotsky and his family huddled on their clothes and escaped, taking refuge in a neighbouring hotel.

A large part of M. Trotsky's library and archives were destroyed, including a number of works of great historical value, the loss of which is considered to be irreparable, although in his hurried flight M. Trotsky managed to save some correspondence between himself and Lenin, also the manuscript of the second volume of Trotsky's History of the Russian Revolution, and other literary data.

ROYAL BANQUET MARRED BY TRAGEDY.

TWELVE MILITARY BANDS MEN DROWNED.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

SANTIAGO DE CHILE, Mar. 1. Twelve military bandmen, who played during the dinner to the Prince of Wales at La Centinella yesterday evening were drowned whilst crossing the lake to Valdivia, their barge having been rammed by another.

The Prince of Wales and Prince George at midnight hastened to the lake side to assist in the rescue and left only when hope was abandoned. They telegraphed their deepest sympathy to the President and the Colonel of the bandmen's regiment.

BRITISH INDUSTRIES FAIR.

BUSINESS BEYOND EXHIBITORS' EXPECTATIONS.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RIOY, Feb. 28. The Olympia and Birmingham sections of the British Industries Fair closed last night, and buyers at the Allied British Cotton Textile Exhibition at White-City up to last night were considerably over 200,000.

Buyers at Olympia last year numbered about 155,000 and the increased attendance is considered very satisfactory.

Overseas buyers came from 74 countries and represented lands as distant as Afghanistan, Fiji, Iraq and Nicaragua.

The countries most numerous represented were in the following order:—Holland, Irish Free State, Germany, Denmark, France, United States and India.

The business done in the face of the world-wide depression was most encouraging and beyond the expectations of the exhibitors. One cheerful feature in their reports is the large number of new accounts opened by every section.

NATIONAL RAILWAY CONFERENCE.

VARIOUS LINES ON THE VERGE OF BANKRUPTCY.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

NANKING, March 2. Mr. Sun Fo, Minister for Railways, opened the National Railway Transportation Conference this morning, which will discuss and decide measures for the improvement of commercial transportation on the Government railways.

Mr. Sun Fo, *inter alia*, said that the various railways are on the verge of bankruptcy, their total obligations amounting to more than \$1,000,000,000.

AMERICAN TRADE WITH RUSSIA.

PATRIOTIC SOCIETIES DEMAND EMBARGO.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

NEW YORK, March 1. Fifty-two patriotic societies have sent a letter to President Hoover demanding an embargo on trade with Russia.

A message of February 23 stated:—The House of Representatives, by an overwhelming majority, passed the Koudall Hawley Bill strengthening the 1930 Tariff Act against convict-made goods entering the United States. The Bill makes the prohibition effective on April 1, 1931, instead of January 1, 1932, and applies the embargo against goods handled, transported, loaded, or unloaded wholly or partly by convicts or forced labour, as well as against goods manufactured by such workers. It also admits depositions from United States agents abroad in proving the employment of convict labour.

INTERNATIONAL ARMY SOCCER.

BRITISH ARMY BEAT THE BELGIANS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

BRUSSELS, March 1. A crowd of 25,000 saw the British Army defeat the Belgian Army by four goals to two in the international army triangular soccer tournament to-day.

The British Army have already defeated the French Army, and have thus won the tournament for this season.

The winners last year were the Belgian Army.

U.S. COTTON TEXTILE INDUSTRY.

NIGHT WORK FOR CHILDREN AND MINORS STOPPED.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

CHARLOTTE (N.C.), Mar. 1. The Secretary of the American Cotton Manufacturing Association announces that 83 per cent. of the cotton textile industry in the United States has agreed to discontinue night work for women and minors.

FUJI HURRICANE CASUALTIES.

ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY PERISHED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SUVA, March 1. It is officially announced that 160, including four Europeans, perished in the hurricane in the districts of Lautoka, Ba and Sigatoka last week.

PERUVIAN GOVERNMENT RESIGNS.

NAVY AVERTING A CIVIL WAR.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

LIMA, Feb. 28. The Government has resigned. The Navy issued a manifesto to-day stating that it would prevent the dispatch of Government troops to the South against the rebels in order to avoid a civil war, and urged the President to hand over the Government to the new Junta.

CHINA'S EXTRALITY QUESTION.

SIR M. LAMPSON RESUMES NEGOTIATIONS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

NANKING, March 2. Sir Miles Lampson, British Minister, called on the Foreign Minister, Dr. C. T. Wang, this morning and resumed the extra-territoriality negotiations.

MISS TSZ HA ON ENGLISH GIRLS.

HONG KONG UNDERGRADUATE IN ENGLAND.

Miss Wong Tsz Ha, a graduate of Hong Kong University, a journalist of three years' experience in the East, and a speaker of fluent, idiomatic English has recently arrived in England and contributed the following article in the *Daily Express*.

Tsz Ha means Purple Cloud, and Wong, this Chinese girl's surname, means "yellow." Her names, therefore, fully translated, are Purple Cloud Yellow.

"Why," a *Daily Express* representative asked her, "were you called 'Purple Cloud'?" "Girls in China," she replied, "are always given pretty names, those of flowers, and, well, I was born in the early morning when the pale gold appears and the clouds turn purple. It is a pretty name. You see?"

She then confessed that she was interested especially in English girls. So the *Daily Express* invited her to put her impressions on record which she did as follows:— "It is not so easy a theme to say good or ill, to generalize, to form a mental picture or to discuss the girls of a nation who are constantly engaging our attention nowadays."

Seldom is there anywhere in London where girls are not seen. Walk in the streets, sit down in restaurants and public rooms, visit the galleries and museums, go to theatres and see moving picture palaces, listening to chamber music, working in offices, attending lectures in college or carrying your living in factories, no matter what you do or where you be, either in compounds, underground tubes, or train-cars, you always find yourself face to face with English girls—in this City at least.

Can you imagine how this would strike the mind of a Chinese girl who comes from a land where young girls are accustomed to remain within the four walls of the home?

Your English girls are not just mere human beings, for, seeing them, you must notice them, you must be conscious of their presence. They are attractive, smartly dressed, active, alert, walk with a swinging gait, and, if you observe them, you will find the majority of them always try to cultivate that aristocratic carriage and apparent haughtiness, a trait which is entirely alien to girls of other countries.

I particularly like to watch the younger type of English girls, especially the sports girls and office girls. In conversation with natives of other countries and older womenfolk, I learn that they are not infrequently being qualified with uncomplimentary adjectives—brazen, rough, boisterous, vehement, and, above all, they are said to be lacking their feminine charm by indulgence in sports and in leading the life of a man scrambling in the dust and heat of the market-place. I think such criticisms are unjust.

English Charm. One day an English girl talked to me because she found it so amusing that a Chinese girl from the East could actually understand what she says and tell her what she wants to hear. The Chinese girl, on the average, English girl understands her to be, is quite different from the one she sees. You see, her conception of the Chinese girl is out of date.

But her friendliness, absence of affectation, wit, sense, cheerfulness, good nature, and politeness of manner simply won my admiration. Are all English girls like her? I wondered.

What strikes me most about your English girls is that they all are educated, and many of them well educated. They are so independent. They can leave their home and live in rooms of their own. They can work like men and with men for their own living. They can vote. They can help to administer their own country. They can smoke in public. They can choose their husbands and go about with men.

Our Eastern girls are very much more domesticated. Many of them are now fighting, and influencing others to fight for emancipation. Perhaps they are copying the West? So you see the influence of your girls has spread even to our country.

(If Miss Wong indeed came from Hong Kong how delightfully she is pulling the leg of "Express Readers."—Ed. H.K.D.P.)

BRITAIN'S NAVAL DIPLOMACY.

"TRAVELLING CONFERENCE" A BRILLIANT SUCCESS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PARIS, March 1. Mr. Arthur Henderson and Mr. A. V. Alexander arrived here to-day and proceeded immediately to the Quai d'Orsay, where they gave M. Briand an account of their "conversations" in Rome.

Negotiations Successful.

LATER. After a three-hour meeting between the British and French Ministers at the Quai d'Orsay, it was announced that the naval negotiations had been successful.

The terms among the British, French and Italian Ministers negotiated in Paris and Rome will be recommended by them for ratification by their Governments.

Entire Agreement.

A naval official communiqué states that Mr. Henderson and Mr. Alexander communicated to M. Briand and M. Dumont the results of their "conversations" in Rome, after which Mr. Henderson and M. Briand jointly telegraphed to Signor Grandi:— "We are happy to inform you that we find ourselves in entire agreement on the arrangement negotiated in Rome for the settlement relating to the limitation of naval armaments left outstanding by the Treaty of London."

"We are ready to recommend this arrangement for the approval of our Governments and to other interested Governments."

Details Available on Wednesday.

On the request of the British delegation no details or figures of the settlement will be announced, as the agreement must first be communicated to Tokyo, Washington and the Dominions. But the details will be announced simultaneously in London, Washington, Paris, Rome, and Tokyo later in the week, probably Wednesday.

M. Dumont, the French Minister of Marine, in a statement to the Press said:—"Some modifications, however slight, are being contemplated in the London Naval Treaty."

The British delegation leave for London on Monday.

France's Superiority Over Italy.

PARIS, March 2. A French fleet of 630,000 tons, namely, a superiority of 150,000 tons over Italy, is provided for under the new Naval Agreement, according to the *Echo de Paris*, which declares that France and Italy have the same number of 1,000-ton cruisers, while 70,000 tons of submarines are allotted to France.

Agreement Acceptable to United States.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, March 2. Well-informed circles are of opinion that the Naval Agreement is acceptable to the United States, and they assume that the proposed changes of a minor character compared with the London Agreement will not affect vitally the United States and Japan.

Result Welcomed in Japanese Official Circles.

TOKYO, March 2. The report that the naval parley at Paris and Rome have resulted in a satisfactory agreement is welcomed in Japanese official circles.

While unable to reveal the figures it is intimated that France will be allowed a considerably higher tonnage in submarines than Great Britain, Japan and America; though these tonnage figures apparently are merely tentative, pending the outcome of the General Disarmament Conference next year.

While Japan appears unlikely to protest against France being allowed a superiority in submarines, close observers consider that there probably will be a strong outcry in certain sections of Japanese on the grounds that Japan's demands at the London Naval Conference for a higher submarine tonnage were overruled.

Inspired Figures from Japan.

LATER. According to a seemingly inspired report appearing in this afternoon's vernacular papers the Franco-Italian parley has resulted in the following agreement:—

Submarines.—France, 80,000 tons; Italy, 50,000 tons. Eight-Inch Cruisers.—In accordance with the same *vernacular* figures:— Destroyers.—France, 130,000 tons; Italy, 120,000 tons.

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VICEROY-GANDHI "CONVERSATIONS."

HOPEFUL ATMOSPHERE PREVAILS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

BOMBAY, March 1. A more hopeful atmosphere prevails, due to the long conference between the Viceroy and Gandhi, at the conclusion of which the latter declared that "the conversation was not ended, and would be resumed."

Feeling of Optimism.

Although suspense regarding the Irwin-Gandhi negotiations continues, a feeling of optimism has crept in.

The Congress Working Committee met to examine the revised draft of the Viceroy's proposals.

It is understood that Lord Irwin's reply in regard to the enquiry into alleged police excesses is more conciliatory, and the Committee are favourably impressed as a result of the conversations.

Gandhi is again interviewing Lord Irwin this evening.

The "conversation" is expected to last until midnight.

Outlook Improved.

LATER. The "talks" between Lord Irwin and Gandhi are being resumed and the outlook has improved, although the suspense continues.

It is understood that the Viceroy's reply to Gandhi as regards an enquiry into the alleged police excesses is more conciliatory.

The Congress executive is greatly impressed by the Viceroy's sincerity.

Capital Ships.—France to construct two each of 23,000 tons to offset Germany's "pocket battleships"; Italy to build two of a smaller tonnage.

The fear is expressed that Great Britain will consider it necessary to increase her own submarine tonnage to offset France, in which case it might be found necessary for Japan to exercise her right under Article 21 of the London Treaty to do likewise.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RIOY, Feb. 28. Signor Mussolini last night attended a dinner at the British Embassy in Rome in honour of the British Ministers conducting the naval negotiations.

The Foreign Secretary, Mr. Henderson, and Mr. Duce afterwards had a long conversation.

Discussions were resumed to-day between Mr. Henderson and Signor Grandi, as well as between the naval experts, and it is expected that the British Ministers and their staff will leave Rome to-day.

So far complete secrecy has been maintained about the "conversations," due to the delicacy of their nature and the necessity of informing and consulting the United States and Japanese Governments on any developments.

SABOTAGE TRIAL IN MOSCOW.

FOURTEEN MENSHEVIKS PLEAD GUILTY.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

MOSCOW, Feb. 28. Mr. Krylanko, the pitiless Public Prosecutor, whose inexorable oratory secured the death sentence in December for eight of the accused in a mass trial for sabotage, reappeared on the stage in the Trade Union Hall to-day for the trial of the Mensheviks.

The reading of the indictment lasted for four hours.

The accused pleaded guilty.

Some of those sentenced to death in December are appearing in the witness-box.

An earlier message stated:—Fourteen members of the Socialist organization, the "All Union Bureau of Central Committees of Mensheviks," will stand trial in the Supreme Court on March 1, charged with counter-revolutionary activities.

The organization is alleged to have aimed at the restoration of the capitalist regime by means of "wrecking" activities and foreign intervention.

The indictment states that the All-Union Bureau was organized in central economic institutions and a number of counter-revolutionary cells were financed by Mensheviks abroad and the industrial party from funds subsidised by the German Social Democratic Party, the Second International, and the Paris Commercial Industrial Committee. All defendants are reported to have pleaded guilty.

MORE ALPINE DISASTERS.

SEVEN KILLED IN SERIES OF AVALANCHES.

MUNICH, Feb. 28.—Three new avalanche disasters costing seven lives are reported from various parts of the Alpine districts. A party of skiers was overtaken by an avalanche while leaving the Brandkopfattel. Fortunately other skiers were immediately at hand and rescued six out of the seven men buried.

Another avalanche thundered down from the Feldhornel near Innsbruck buried five skiers, of whom three were killed while one man, succeeded in extricating himself and one woman with broken legs. Finally in South Tyrol, an avalanche swept over the huts of a small settlement in the Sarnol Alps. Here five men were saved out of eight who disappeared over a precipice. An entire family, father, mother and five little children were buried under the snow but after hours of strenuous effort were extricated and revived. A column of 70 men is still engaged in rescue operations.

Reports reaching here from the Austrian, Swiss and Bavarian Alps state that the snowfall of the past 48 hours was the heaviest in the past 40 years. In addition to Zermatt, dozens of places including Andermatt and Cortina Dampezo are now completely cut off from the world. In Andermatt a company of Swiss infantry services is snowed up. The School railway line was partly destroyed by avalanches.

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Sports News

JUNIOR CRICKET NOTES.

THE KOWLOON-INDIANS MATCH REVIEWED.

(By "L.B.W.")

Much interest was centred on the Indians-Kowloon match which took place at Soukpon on Saturday, and by virtue of their win the former have established for themselves a very strong position in the league table, and on present form, I confidently expect them to finish up on the top of the table. To do this, however, they must win their last match which is against the Cringeworth Cricket Club, provided also that the Civil Service juniors lose or draw one of their remaining matches.

Club de Reccis are in the running too, but their chances of being champions are not as bright as the other two teams.

Indians Bat First.

To go back to the match itself. Arculli won the toss and elected to bat, and as a draw would not have done them any good, I think that was a sound move. Mackay turned out for Kowloon while O. Small played for the Indians, but neither did very much, though the latter did defy the bowling till he was run out through a misdirection.

As usual, Madar and Ackler opened the innings for the Soukpon team, the attack being in the hands of Lee and Smith. I was rather surprised that Skinner and Overly did not start and with all respect to Lee (he captained that day at Lindell did not play), I am of the opinion that the latter pair would have given the I.R.C. batsmen more trouble. In any case, after about twenty runs had been scored, Ackler was well taken by the K.C.C. "boy" holding as sub. at third man and shortly after this Madar was yanked by a "blower" from Skinner who had come on for Smith at the French Hospital end. Meanwhile, A. R. Saffad, who went in first wicket down, settled down to play polished cricket after a somewhat lucky start—a chance from him to point going a-begging. Saffad was getting more of the runs while O. Small was keeping up his end over the other side and they were now paired till after the seventy had been hoisted, Saffad being out to a fine catch by Lee in the slips off Skinner.

A fairly quiet spell followed during which time the Indians lost two further wickets for about twenty additional runs, but thereafter Heptals and A. S. Saffad treated the spectators to some bright batting, each man getting twenty odd runs readily. Going in late, A. M. Rungiah got fourteen to help to bring the total to 103 runs. Not a bad score, but by no means a safe one against a strong batting team like the K.C.C.

Another Surprise.

When the Indians went out to field, another surprise was in store for them, for instead of sending Skinner and Jex out to start the innings as usual, Lee decided to send Gregory out with Jex, keeping Skinner back to go in second wicket down.

Arculli opened the attack for the home team and sent a maiden over down to Jex. Then Gregory faced A. M. Rungiah and asked the third ball to deep mid-on where A. S. Saffad gathered in rather low, but the umpire, quite rightly, gave the batsman the benefit of the doubt. A run resulted and this brought Gregory over to take Arculli's next over when he was caught in the slips after "feeling" at the first two balls. Mackay filled the breach but was bowled first ball, and it was at this stage that Skinner came in and changed the whole complexion of the game by hitting out merrily for 41 runs. Lee gave him all the support he required, and from 3 wickets for 9 runs, (I forgot to mention that Jex was bowled by an absolute beauty from Rungiah) these two batsmen brought the score to over the sixty mark. Then Lee was caught at point off A. S. Saffad and the next over Skinner let out at one but did not quite get hold of it and asked the ball to mid-on where he was well taken.

Smith and Raven.

With the dismissal of the cream of the Kowloon batting, things looked extremely bright for the Indians, but F. S. W. Smith and A. R. E. Raven batted stubbornly and defied the bowling for some time. Then Smith was caught off his gloves by Raven, who was now joined by Mead, kept on the good work and the latter gave him very excellent support. After Mead went, O. B. Raven joined "A.R.F." and it was at this stage that M. P. Madar, who has not done very much bowling this season, was given a spell with the ball. Off his first over, he was dropped at over. "O.B." was a very good bowler, and he cost the Indians two valuable points. In his next over, however, Madar sent a very similar ball down to

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LAWN TENNIS.

MORE JAPANESE IMPRESSIONS.

AN INTERESTING DOUBLES.

Fresh from their triumph in the Philippines, Shimura and Yamagishi, Japan's premier doubles pair, beat Hong Kong's all-coners yesterday at the Hong Kong Cricket Club. Like their compatriots, Jyo Sato and Hyo Sato, who delighted local tennis enthusiasts scarcely a fortnight ago, they won the exhibition series of two singles and one doubles matches, and in doing so have left behind them an impression of the high standard of play attained by Japan at the present time. P. Kong, C. A. L. Rungiah, H. D. Rungiah and S. A. Rungiah formed Hong Kong's contingent against them, and the matches resulted as follows, taking place in the order listed:

Yamagishi beat P. Kong 6-0, 6-0.
Shimura and Shimura beat H. D. Rungiah and S. A. Rungiah 5-2, 6-3.
Shimura beat C. A. L. Rungiah 6-2, 6-2.

Spice of Programme.

The doubles exhibition proved to be the spice of the programme, and ran to the third set before a decision could be reached. The local pair held their own in the opening set, and by dint of some steady, but tricky play pulled the score from 2-4 against them to 7-3 in their favour. In the following set, however, the Japanese demonstrated marked improvement in all departments of the game. They forced the Rungiahs to keep on the defensive most of the time, and although the local experts exhibited a determination to check the Japanese, and at times challenged the visitors, the latter, by an all-round display, smothered the second and third sets in a convincing manner.

As the whole play reached a high standard, the match provided the gallery with an interesting exhibition to which the Japanese contributed in great style, while throughout snappy close range volleys became a bright feature of the match. Evidently the big factor that gave the match to the Japanese was their ability to break the Rungiahs' combination by speedy shots.

The Singles.

Yamagishi met P. Kong in the opening match proving himself to be in a class higher than the local player, who failed to take a game. Shimura also did not have much difficulty in beating C. A. L. Rungiah, conceding only two games in each set. Hard hitting, long baseline driving duels, and brilliant reverses, however, kept the spectators interested in the match.

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the same batsman, and despite his narrow escape the previous over, Raven tried to pull it again and was caught on the leg-side—between square-leg and mid-on.
Every came in—the last man—and played a maiden over from Arculli. There was now only three minutes to go and A. S. Saffad was given the ball in place of Madar. This change had the desired effect; for Raven, who had up to now played a very fine game, let out at one and had his middle stick dislodged, the Indians thus winning with only a couple of minutes to spare.

Retrospects.

Looking over the game now it is my opinion that on the day's play, the Indians fully deserved their win. Kowloon, on the other hand, was a little unfortunate in not being able to effect a draw. Skinner was the hero of the visitors' side, his bowling analysis and score bearing evidence of the great part he played in the match. A. R. F. Raven, and George Lee too, played well but Mackay disappointed. The fielding of the K.C.C. left nothing to be desired, but that of the Indians was patchy, more than one batsman being dropped.

A. R. Saffad again came off with flying colours with the bat, and provided he keeps up his form, I can see this youngster gaining a place in the I.R.C. first eleven next season. Arculli and Saffad (A.S.) shared the bowling honours, and I feel my notes on the game would not be complete if I did not give a word of praise to S. Ismail who did his work behind the stumps excellently. The extras totalled some ten runs, but of these eight were from wide and no-balls.

The Club Match.

There seems to be some misunderstanding regarding the nature of the Club-Engineers match. A contemporary reported it as a friendly, but I have it on fairly good authority that it was a League fixture, and considering they had to get over two hundred runs in about one and a half hours to win, the Club did well to get the points.

There are a number of matches arranged for this week-end but I doubt if all of them will be played on account of the rain.

HOLIDAY CRICKET.

EASY WIN FOR KOWLOON.

FINE BOWLING BY BURNETT.

The two day match between the Volunteers and Kowloon Cricket Club was concluded yesterday, the K.C.C. winning by nine wickets.

Kowloon brought their first innings total to 200 runs and when the Volunteers went in to bat for the second time they were unfortunate to find Burnett in deadly form with the ball and were all out for 72 runs. Burnett returned the excellent analysis of 9 for 25.

This left Kowloon 46 runs to get and this they did for the loss of only 1 wicket.

The scores were:—

First Innings of Volunteers.
K. H. Batger, b Goodwin ... 10
J. E. Richardson, c Mackay, b Goodwin ... 11
S. V. Gittins, c E. C. Fincher, b Goodwin ... 23
B. H. Griffiths, l.b.w., b Burnett ... 44
E. J. R. Mitchell, b Hung ... 33
R. M. Wood, not out ... 87
A. Reid, c Skinner, b Hung ... 2
H. F. Green, b Skinner ... 21
A. C. Beck, b E. P. Fincher ... 2
R. R. Davies, c Lyl, b E. F. Fincher ... 6
Extras ... 16
Total ... 273

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
W. C. Hung	5	3	13	2
J. C. Lyl	12	2	40	0
F. Goodwin	7	2	30	3
E. F. Fincher	10	0	56	2
F. Zimmerman	7	0	46	0
G. C. Burnett	6.3	0	92	9
E. E. Skinner	4	0	27	1

First Innings of K.C.C.

E. C. Fincher, b Divett ... 0
F. E. Lawrence, c Wood, b Divett ... 8
W. C. Hung, b Divett ... 75
F. Zimmerman, c Batger, b Mitchell ... 39
E. F. Fincher, b Beck ... 34
N. A. E. Mackay, l.b.w., b Beck ... 10
Beck ... 4
E. E. Skinner, c Gittins, b Beck ... 4
D. W. Gregory, b Beck ... 39
J. C. Lyl, run out ... 22
G. C. Burnett, b Gittins ... 14
Batger, not out ... 14
Extras ... 14
Total ... 300

Bowling Analysis.

	R.	M.	R.	W.
Beck	24	2	69	4
Divett	20	0	63	0
Reid	7	0	23	0
Gittins	2	0	20	1
Mitchell	4	1	52	1
Richardson	5	0	24	0
Griffiths	2	0	50	0
Batger	2.1	0	11	0

Second Innings of Volunteers.

K. H. Batger, b Hung ... 4
J. E. Richardson, b Burnett ... 1
S. V. Gittins, c and b Burnett ... 38
B. H. Griffiths, b Burnett ... 5
R. M. Wood, c Hung, b Burnett ... 4
A. Reid, b Burnett ... 7
H. F. Green, c E. C. Fincher, b Burnett ... 6
A. C. Beck, b Burnett ... 2
R. R. Davies, not out ... 6
G. E. R. Divett, c E. C. Fincher, b Burnett ... 0
Extras ... 5
Total ... 72

Bowling Analysis.

	R.	M.	R.	W.
W. Hung	9	0	42	1
G. C. Burnett	9	2	23	8

Second Innings of Kowloon.

F. E. Lawrence, b Reid ... 12
N. A. E. Mackay, not out ... 13
F. E. Skinner, not out ... 19
Extras ... 4
Total for 1 wicket ... 48

Bowling Analysis.

	R.	M.	R.	W.
Beck	2	0	13	0
Divett	3	0	13	0
Reid	5	1	18	1

ROYAL HONG KONG GOLF CLUB.

Felix Ellis Cup—February.
A. G. Coppin (2 down) qualified.

ARMY BEATS CIVIL SERVICE.

At Happy Valley on Sunday, the Civil Service lost in their return game with an Army tennis team, who won by 12 sets to 6.
Tufon and Valentine lost to Lind and Anderson 5-7, 0-6, lost to Mitchell and Atkinson 3-6, 2-6, drew with Paston and Jarman 1-6, 6-3.
McDonnell and Bradley lost to Lind and Anderson 6-8, 2-6, lost to Mitchell and Atkinson 6-3, 0-6, beat Paston and Jarman 6-3, 6-3.
"Wildie" (not named) lost to Lind and Anderson 5-7, 0-6, lost to Mitchell and Atkinson 4-6, 3-6, drew with Paston and Jarman 3-6, 6-3.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[All letters intended for publication must be accompanied by the name and address of the writer, not for publication, unless so desired, but as evidence of good faith.—Ed.]

FORTHCOMING CONCERTS.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONG KONG DAILY PRESS."]

Sir,—We have just received a wire from the Westminster Glee Singers, stating that they are performing at the Star Theatre from March 7 to March 10, and asking us to assist in making this known.

They were so popular here before that we recommended them to give a few performances in Kowloon on their return journey, but understood this would be in April. Advertisements are, of course, appearing immediately, but the notice is so short that the Singers will have arrived almost before the public has heard of them. We understand that booking is being opened at once at the Star Theatre and at Montreux.

We should appreciate it if you would allow us to make a further announcement of three forthcoming musical attractions which, through sheer bad luck, are booked for three consecutive week-nights: Friday and Saturday, March 27 and 28, and Monday, March 30.

Mr. Strok has just wired reserving the Theatre Royal on the 27th for a pair of excellent dancers known as the Sakharoffs, who are accompanied by a pianist and a violinist. They should have appeared here earlier but have been delayed by splendid successes in Japan. He has also booked the Theatre for the 30th, for a vocal quartet, the celebrated prima donna, Toti dal Monte, and her husband, de Muro-Lomanto (Lyric tenor), who are in their first world tour.

At the same time another impresario, M. Podoli, unaware of these engagements, is bringing M. Marienoff, the inventor of the wonderful "Music from the Ether" instrument, to the Star Theatre on the 28th. It would be a pity for music-lovers to miss any of these attractions, but without a special effort the attendances are bound to suffer somewhat from the close proximity of the dates.

It is the object of this Society to give timely notice of the visits of professional artists of slightly high standing to be recommended to the public; to stimulate interest and combat the apathy that used to go widespread; and to ensure that these artists shall face reasonable filled halls and not rows of empty benches. Advertisements will appear in your columns in due course. But something more than the usual advertising is needed if the attendances on these three dates are to justify this Colony's improved musical reputation. We hope that music-lovers will give all the support in their power for the sake of the artists who are in no way to blame for these unfortunate arrangements.—I am, etc.,

A. M. BOWESSMITH,
Hon. Secretary,
Hong Kong Musical Society.
Hong Kong, March 1.

KOWLOON GOLF.

FIRST ROUND OF PAGE TROPHY.

The results of the matches in the first round of the Hong Fourcous, promoted by the Kowloon Golf Club for that Page Trophy are as follows:—

Wharf and Gydoun Co. (W. M. Groves and A. Eastman) beat Hong Kong and Shanghai Hotels (F. C. Barry and E. C. Murphy), one up.
(Whampoa) Dock Co. (J. McKelvie and J. O. McLagan) beat Mustard & Co. (J. Poole and L. J. Caye), three up and two to play.
Naval Yard (W. G. Trice and L. W. Sapsed) beat Hong Kong Electric Co. (J. R. Way and W. Stoker), seven up and five to play.
James Backhouse Ltd. (H. R. Dimakle and A. Laughton) beat Public Works Department (G. E. L. Johnson and F. G. Parvise), three up and two to play.
Gilmann & Co. (E. C. Fincher and L. Goldmann) beat Union Trading Co. (F. E. A. Remedios and S. Jex).

EARLY MAN IN SURREY.

FLINTS SHOWN AT SORBONNE.

OLDEST EVER DISCOVERED.

Paris.—One of the most striking archaeological discoveries of recent years was described at the Sorbonne when Mr. Ludovic Mann, the Scottish anthropologist, lectured to the French Prehistoric Society on his find of ancient flint implements at Stanstead, near Caterham, in Surrey.

Mr. Mann explained that the relics belong to the pre-paleolithic period and are at least 80,000 years old; but their special interest lies in the fact that they illustrate a form of man's earliest industry of which hitherto little or no trace has been discovered.

This is the method of crushing the edge of the flint when shaping it, as opposed to the more common practice of flaking. Among the large number of flints which Mr. Mann exhibited to the society—the first public body to inspect them—there are excellent examples of the two kinds of work, many of them showing beautiful craftsmanship.

In some of the stones both the processes have been employed; the flaking consisted in chipping the flint with another small stone to obtain its rough edges; the work was then finished off with a bigger and heavier stone which ground off the roughness of the edge and produced the smooth, finished form.

According to Mr. Mann, the crushing technique is quite unknown in the later strata so far discovered, and indicates the existence of a human culture in Britain at a more remote age even than is generally supposed. Geologically, Mr. Mann places this era between the late pleocene and early pleistocene period, which means that the remains are the oldest whose existence is known in the world.

Regular Workshop.

The implements found at Stanstead were nearly all intended for domestic use such as planing, wood boring, cutting and scraping. In Mr. Mann's opinion the profusion of the relics is explained by the fact that the place where they were found was once a regular workshop where tools were turned out en masse to be sold or rather exchanged, probably for furs, food, and other primitive commodities. Mr. Mann's lecture was listened to with the greatest interest by a packed audience which included many well-known French scientists, and was followed by a general discussion. After examining the flints the French archaeologists were unanimously of opinion that they are undoubtedly artificial productions resulting from human workmanship and probably date from an epoch older than any of which record has yet been discovered.

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By Order of the Board of Directors,
JOHN ARNOLD,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 6th Feb., 1931. [284]

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The REGISTER OF MEMBERS of the Company will be CLOSED from 5th MARCH, 1931, to 18th MARCH, 1931, Both Days inclusive, during which period NO Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Ltd.,
Agents.
Hong Kong, 16th Feb., 1931. [350]

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, 4th MARCH, 1931, to WEDNESDAY, 18th MARCH, 1931, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
ALLAN KEITH,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 16th Feb., 1931. [364]

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from TUESDAY, the 10th MARCH, 1931, to THURSDAY, the 19th MARCH, 1931, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
F. H. GRAPPELL,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 2nd March, 1931. [393]

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ON SATURDAY, 28th FEB., the First Race will be run at 1.30 P.M., and on all Other Days at 11.30 A.M. On the First Day the First Race will be run at 1 P.M. and on the Other Four Days at 11 A.M.

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Members are reminded that they and their Ladies must wear their Badges prominently displayed.

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BETTING AND THE CHRISTIAN RELIGION.

DISCOURAGES GENEROSITY, DESTROYS PEACE OF
MIND AND BREEDS SUPERSTITION.

OUTSPOKEN SERMON AT THE CATHEDRAL.

If a visitor from another planet should arrive upon this earth to observe the habits and occupations of its people he could not fail to be struck by the widespread prevalence of the sport or business of gambling. He would find that in one form or another—in betting on the results of horse races or football matches, in playing for stakes in certain games of chance such as poker, bridge or roulette, in sweepstakes, lotteries and raffles as well as in certain business transactions—the spirit of gambling pervaded huge tracts of human thought and time. If he opened a newspaper there would be particulars of the betting at the latest or next race meeting occupying a prominent position and even, the whole edition if it were a "special." In addition he would be invited to spot the winners of football matches in the home of receiving a large sum of money if he were successful. Nor are these occasions rare. In England there is a race meeting on all but about 20 days in the year and modern methods of communication and publicity make it possible for anyone in the country to participate with the result that vast sums of money are spent on betting. The lowest estimate puts the figure at £150,000,000 sterling, while the Secretary of the National Sporting Leagues, who is in a good position to know, gives £200,000,000 sterling as the amount spent on betting on horse races alone. Even in times of acute industrial depression these figures do not grow less; money may be wanting for educational and medical work, for Church and charity and the very necessities of life, but for betting and the ghastly of betting there is no lack.

All classes of society take part in this business and whether it is good or bad it must unquestionably be put among the primary interests of the human race and not least of our own country.

Yet there is another aspect of the matter which our visitor would have to face. I have spoken of the cost in pounds sterling, but though that is serious enough when we think of how the money might have been spent and how desperately it is needed elsewhere there is another cost: I mean the moral and social cost. In 1921 the House of Commons appointed a Select Committee to consider the question of imposing a duty on betting and to report whether such a duty was desirable and practicable. The Committee consisted of men of long association with the turf (such as Sir Leonard Brasse, Lord Stanley, etc.), and its temper may be judged by the fact that they agreed to recommend a betting tax in spite of vigorous opposition from the Churches.

No one, whether he were a stranger to this world or not, could read an authoritative statement like that without wondering whether this gigantic business of gambling might not after all be a gigantic evil. Because a practice is widespread it is not necessarily good and it is a plain fact that those who are concerned for the welfare of the State whether in the Government or the police or among the leaders of industry, are by no means happy in their minds about it. (This is shown by the gross inequalities of the law.)

How Far Is It Wrong?

Add to that the fact that almost all Christian leaders condemn gambling in its consequences if not in the act and we are bound to hesitate ourselves and ask: "Is this thing right or wrong? And if it is wrong—how far is it wrong?"

There are many apparently good, generous people who indulge in it who like their flatter as they call it, who do not seem morally the worse, who bet moderately with what they can afford to lose, is gambling, then, like "the drink"—something good enough in itself, but wrong if taken to excess? We must find an answer to these questions. Now more than ever before in economic and social and moral problems it is the duty of the Christian to think without confusion clearly. Is there anything in the teaching of Christ that forbids or permits it? Mohamed in the Koran speaks of it as "an abomination of the work of Satan," but perhaps in that matter Mohamed is stricter than Christ.

What Is Gambling?

If we are to think clearly we must begin by asking "What is gambling?" Some kind of definition is needed. Let me give you the best I know. It is put forward by Dr. Charles of Westminster. "Gambling," he says, "is the determination of the ownership of property (generally money) by appeal to chance." Under this definition gambling falls outside the common methods of exchange which determined all

other changes in the ownership of property.

These are three in number: (1) Exchange to mutual advantage, the giving of money for its equivalent in return. Thus I pay \$10 and receive in return a book, or a drive in a motor-car, or a seat at a theatre. The greater part of monetary transactions fall under this head and the more Christian a man is the more careful he will be to render his due equivalent.

It is obvious that in the payment of a betting debt there is not even an approximate equivalent in the way of service, or amusement or any other advantage, given in return.

(2) The free gift whereby property changes hands through the deliberate good will of one party acting with conscious benevolence towards the other.

(3) Theft—where there is no desire to give on the one hand and no reason why a gift should be made, but only a desire to get without giving any return on the other.

Gambling seems to stand apart from these three and must be considered by itself, though there are many who say that as a transaction it bears a suspicious resemblance to (3)—with its desire to get without giving in return. No economist that I know of has anything good to say.

Let us examine this strange hybrid further. Consider it, for a moment, from the point of view of the man who makes the gamble. He has so much money, and he desires to increase it—a very natural and in most cases quite legitimate desire. He may lend it to some sound firm or bank in return for interest or he may start a business of his own and render service to the public which he believes the public needs with a view to receiving a return for his expenditure plus the brains and initiative he has put into it. Returns such as this are governed by laws of supply and demand and are adjusted to suit other people's interests as well as his own—which is also very right and proper.

On the other hand he may risk losing his money altogether in the hope of getting a much bigger sum in return by a deliberate appeal to chance. This sum risked may be large or small—the odds may be enormous 50,000 to 1 and the amount to be won proportionally the larger, as for example in the Calcutta sweep. But whether large or small the crucial point is the deliberate appeal to chance to the unknown, unpredictable future.

Folly.

We need to be quite clear about that. No amount of foresight, or study of form can way for certain which horse will win. No man with all the skill in the world can win consistently with bad cards. It is all, as the most hardened tipster will admit if he is honest, a matter of luck. That is the essence of a bet. If one man has inside knowledge that a horse literally cannot win, say because it has been doped then it is not a bet but a cheat. There is no amount of reasoning can predict the result. In fact reason is excluded. Any fool with no knowledge of horse flesh whatever might spot the winner. It is the enthronement of chance. It is as though a man walked blindfold across a crowded London street expecting to arrive safely. He would take no greater risk with his life than the gambler does with his money.

Here then is an act of folly, something done in defiance of reason and the question arises "How is a man justified in playing the fool with his money?" Perhaps to a limited extent we may all be allowed to play the fool sometimes; and if we would admit that it was fooling and kept it in its right place, not taking it seriously; paying for the excitement and not really caring whether we win or lose gambling might not be so bad. But how many could do that? If I win, is it not the fact of winning that brings the greatest pleasure and if I lose does not my depression more than counter-act the thrill.

If You Win.

Suppose then you can let in that spirit what if you win. "Splendid," you say, but if you win some one else loses and the \$50 that you get for the risk of \$5 may be made up of other people's \$5 notes which they cannot afford to lose. "Oh! but I can't help that; if they are silly enough to bet more than they can afford to lose it's their own look-out." Is it? If a man who lived in a crowded house in a city slum with a family of half starved children in some mad moment offered you \$5, or by some accident secured \$50,000,000, would you be compelled by law to pay your \$5, damages would you be unpardonable enough to take it?

(Continued on next column.)

PORTUGUESE RESIDENT'S DEATH.

Mrs. M. A. BAPTISTA.

The death occurred yesterday at his residence, 8, Casino Road, of Mr. Marciano Antonio Baptista, a respected member of the Portuguese community and an old resident of the Colony. He was 74 years old.

Mr. Baptista's sudden death will come as a great shock to his many friends in the Colony where he has earned a reputation as a well-known artist. At the time of his death he was the chief clerk of Messrs. Johnston, Stokes & Massey, having served with this firm of solicitors for about 33 years.

Decedent leaves four sons and four daughters to whom much sympathy will be extended in their bereavement. The sons are Messrs. A. F. Baptista (National City Bank), R. D. Baptista (Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Canton office), M. F. Baptista (Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.), and F. A. Baptista (Great Northern Telegraph Company). One of his daughters is Mrs. C. Pereira, and the others are the Messrs E. H. and R. Baptista.

The funeral will pass the Monument at 5 p.m. to-day.

How Does It Effect Others.

The Christian must always ask himself this question: How far does my conduct affect others? I know that mothers are passing their children's clothes and risking their bread and butter to bet, can I be a party to the transaction? It is sometimes urged by advocates of betting that a man is justified in betting and taking his winnings because the thing is done by mutual agreement. But that is begging the question. If the thing is wrong it remains no less wrong because there are two parties to it. It is sharing in forbidden fruit and we cannot escape responsibility, unless we are prepared to ask with Cain "Am I my brother's keeper?"

Gambling then stands condemned by the law of brotherhood and by those principles of fair exchange which underlie all Christian dealings with money. But there are secondary reasons why the Christian must regard it as an evil. (1) It weakens the practice of straight forward giving. When hospitals have to depend upon sweepstakes and charities on subscriptions from Jockey Clubs it is a confession of failure. There is no giving prompted by unselfish motives but only indirect, substitution prompted by greed and the glittering prospect of an enormous prize. It was not in this way that the noble tradition was built up of voluntary hospitals which have been such a blessing to our land. God defend us from the day when charity is so dishonoured!

Destroys Peace of Mind.

(2) It destroys that peace of mind and quiet confidence which are the mark of true Christian. It is the enemy of that serenity of temper which Christ displayed. You have only to compare his untroubled mastery of circumstance with the feverish excitement of a London officer on Derby Day to see what I mean. Small wonder that no master of industry will tolerate gambling or betting in his factory. While its effect in the deeper stresses of life is too serious to be measured.

(3) Finally, and with this I must conclude, it breeds superstition. The gambler can have no thought of the Purpose and Providence of God. Instead of submitting himself to the Will of God which is knowable and accountable, the gambler submits himself to the dictates of chance which so far as he knows is blind, fickle, unknowable and unaccountable. He becomes in consequence a prey to the fears and superstitions of primitive man.

Is not that a pitiful plight for one who is endowed with reason and lives in this twentieth century of grace. He turns his back on God. It is as though all the long ages of man's heroic struggle after truth and his slow upward climb towards the light had never been. The gambler prefers to bow down with the savage before the god of luck. He is pretending to himself that "There is no God"—no God in whom we live and move and have our being and whose are all our ways. If we will commit them to Him, no God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ "who knoweth what things we have need of before we ask"—but only the Totten pole with its horrible grimace, the Pagan with its mechanical contrivances to portion out his destiny.

If men have it in them to risk their money at some "throw of pitch and toss"—Christ calls his followers to risk far more than that. He dares them to risk comfort, popularity, health, to adventure life itself for a noble end. And if it is no gamble on a capricious fate but faith in the surest fact in the universe, the unchangeable character of God.

TO-DAY'S WIRELESS PROGRAMME.

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11 to 11.30 a.m.—Stock quotations.
11.30 a.m.—Chinese programme.
12.30 p.m.—European programme.
1.30 p.m.—Weather report, local time and Rugby Press news.
2 p.m.—Close down.
3 to 3.53 p.m.—

Variety.

Orchestral—"Your Red Lips."
Marek Weber and his Orch.
Orchestral—"A Little Cafe."
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Hawaiian Orchestra—"The Rose of Heaven."—Walter Kolomo-ku's Honoluluans.
Hawaiian Orchestra—"Silver Threads Among the Golden."—Walter Kolomo-ku's Honoluluans.
Popular Memories accompanied by Nightingales and Canaries recorded at Reich's Avery Bremen.

Song—"Missin' My Pal."—Irene Beasley (Soprano).
Song—"If I Could Just Stop Dreaming."—Irene Beasley (Soprano).

Orchestral—"Autumn Thoughts."—Kiri-Poff's Balalaika Orch.
Orchestral—"Faun Waltz."—Kiri-Poff's Balalaika Orch.

Quintette—"Chant of the Jungle."—Victoria Quintette.
Quintette—"Tip Toe Thru the Tulips."—Victoria Quintette.
Whistling—"Mother Machree."—Bob MacGimsey.

Whistling—"You're the Flower of My Heart."—Bob MacGimsey.
Band—"Bells of Saint Mary."—National Military Band.

5.33 to 6.07 p.m.—

Operatic.

Mignon—"Knowest Thou the Land."—Lucresia Bori (Soprano).
Mignon—"Here Am I in Her Boudoir."—Lucresia Bori (Soprano).

Tristan and Isolde—"Isolde's Love Death."—Maria Jeritza (Soprano).
6.07 to 7 p.m.—

Orchestral.

"Sicilian Circle" (Burchenal).—Victor Orchestra.
"Quadrille" (Burchenal).—Victor Orchestra.

"Dolan Princess Medley."—Nat Shikret and his Orch.
"Tales of Hoffman—Potpourri" (Offenbach).—Marek Weber and his Orch.

"Marianettes" (Glazounov).—Victor Concert Orch.
"Pavilione" (Francis).—Victor Concert Orch.

"At Dawning" (Cadman).—Victor Concert Orch.
"The Waltzing Doll" (Valse).—Victor Concert Orch.

"Amoureux" (Berger).—International Novelty Orch.
"Lachriana" (Geiger).—Marek Weber and his Orch.

7 p.m.—Winners of to-day's races.
7 to 8 p.m.—

A Concert.

Piano Solo—"Bohemian Dance" (Smetana).—Wilhelm Bachaus.
"Caprice Espagnole" (Moscow).—Wilhelm Bachaus.

Song—"Comin' Thru the Rye."—Marion Talley (Soprano).
Violin and Cymbal Duet—"The Old Gipsy" (Erno).—Schafer and Sarkoz.

Violin and Cymbal Duet—"The Broken Violin" (Pista).—Schafer and Sarkoz.

Song—"Love's Old Sweet Song" (Bingham and Molloy).—John McCormack (Tenor).
Song—"Kathleen Mavourneen" (Crawford and Crouch).—John McCormack.

Piano Solo—"Impromptu in B Flat" (Schubert).—Wilhelm Bachaus.
Piano Solo—"Moment Musical in F Minor" (Schubert).—Wilhelm Bachaus.

Song—"Sometime" (Florito).—Madam Amelita Galli Curci (Soprano).
Song—"Dreuning Time" (Strickland).—Madam Amelita Galli Curci (Soprano).

Song—"Two Blind Ploughmen" (Rudolf and Chirk).—Fodor Chalmers (Bass).
Song—"Oh Could I But Express in Song" (Mankin).—Fodor Chalmers (Bass).

Trio—"Down in the Forest" (Ronald).—De Groot Trio.
Orchestral—"Grenade" (Stradella).—De Groot and Pindilly Orch.

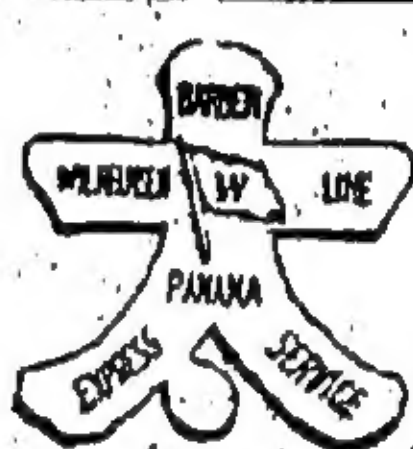
9 p.m.—Weather report, local time, etc.
11.30 p.m.—Close down.

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FRENCH PARTY MEET U.S. AT KASHGAR.

Further details of the George Marie Huardt trans-Asian Expedition were announced by the National Geographic Society. The Chinese unit of the expedition is to leave Peiping about March 10 to conduct new studies in Central Asia and to penetrate as far as Kashgar, where it will meet the European unit which is to proceed from Beirut.

The expedition, which is Franco-American in conception, is being sponsored by the National Geographic Society, which contributed £2,500,000, and M. Andre Citroen, French automobile manufacturer, who donated eight desert tractor cars.

Thirty-five Marco Polo, riding the camels instead of 13th century means of locomotion, will push through Turkistan and the Gobi desert, covering approximately the same ground which the Venetian traveller traversed centuries ago.

From Beirut the Paris unit will work toward Damascus, Baghdad, Peking, and then to Kashgar, and eastward to Kashgar. Voluminous notes will be taken in preparation for a report which will be illustrated by a "talking" film. M. Huardt, veteran French explorer, will head the expedition. The Paris unit is to leave next month.

Cars Like Tanks.

The camels will be used on the expedition as similar to the old war tanks. They can make their way through untracked wilderness, desert and jungle. Few white men have visited the country which is now to be explored as fully by the Franco-American expedition.

The members will gather not only anthropological data but all sorts of information which may give further proof to the popular belief that the human race was cradled in Asia.

It is expected that the expedition will cover more than 13,000 in 18 months. The Chinese expedition will meet the Beirut expedition at Kashgar to accompany it back to Peiping. Father de Chardin, palaeontologist, is now on route to Peiping to join the Chinese members, according to the announcement of the National Geographic Society. He is travelling from Paris to Peiping by way of the United States and is now crossing the Pacific ocean.

EXCHANGE RATES.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

	Requy, Feb. 28.
Paris	129.95
New York	4.85 25/32
Brussels	34.84
Geneva	23.20
Amsterdam	12.11
Milan	92.75
Berlin	20.43
Stockholm	18.14
Copenhagen	18.16
Oslo	18.15
Vienna	34.50
Prague	164
Helsingfors	1894
Madrid	43.35
Lisbon	102.25
Athens	375
Buenos Aires	371
Montevideo	35
Bombay	1/52
Shanghai	1/24
Hong Kong	101
Yokohama	9/13 3/32
Silver (spot)	121
Silver (forward)	127/16

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NEXT SAILINGS FROM HONG KONG

S.S.	Destination	Day	Time
S.S. "VENEZIA-L"	Shanghai & Japan	10th Mar.	10th Mar.
S.S. "ORACOVIA"	Shanghai & Japan	22nd Feb.	22nd Feb.
S.S. "GANGA"	Shanghai & Japan	4th Mar.	4th Mar.
M.V. "HILDA"	Shanghai & Japan	9th Mar.	15th Apr.
S.S. "PILSNA"	Shanghai & Japan	7th Apr.	19th Apr.

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HONG KONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hong Kong Observatory, March 2.

	Previous Day at 4 p.m.	On Date at 10 a.m.	On Date at 4 p.m.
Barometer...	30.11	30.14	30.04
Temperature...	78	85	87
Humidity...	75	88	81
Wind...	C.	E.	E
Force...	3	4	4
Weather...	O	OR	OD
Rain...	0.00	0.0	0.14

Highest open-air Temperature, 11.60
Lowest open-air Temperature, 21.65

B=Blue sky; C=Cloudy; D=Drizzle; F=Fog; L=Lightning; M=Mist; O=Overcast; P=Partly; S=Showers; Q=Squalls; R=Rain; T=Thunder.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE.

From March 2 to 9, 1931.

High Water. Low Water.

Day of Week	Day of Month	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height
Tues.	3	19.52	4.5	04.50	8.0
Wed.	4	10.14	4.8	13.55	8.0
Thur.	5	2.23	7.9	14.45	4.6
Fri.	6	11.03	5.4	04.41	4.3
Sat.	7	23.56	7.2	14.20	1.9
Sun.	8	11.31	5.6	05.19	1.7
Mon.	9	15.08	5.9	13.66	1.7
		00.43	5.5	06.20	2.2
		12.40	8.0	19.13	1.8

EXCHANGE.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

March 2, 1931.

On LONDON:—

Telegraphic Transfer... 11

Bank Bills, on demand 11

Bank Bills, 4 months 11 1/16

Credit, 4 months 11 1/10

Credit, 6 months 11 1/10

Documents, 4 months 11 13/16

On PARIS:—

Bank Bills, on demand 507 1/2

Credit, 4 months 507 1/2

On NEW YORK:—

Bank Bills, on demand 22 1/2

Credit, 30 days 22 1/2

On BOMBAY:—

Telegraphic Transfer... 101 1/2

Bank, on demand 101 1/2

On CALCUTTA:—

Telegraphic Transfer... 101 1/2

Bank, on demand 101 1/2

On SHANGHAI:—

Bank, at sight 184 1/2

On YOKOHAMA:—

On demand 45

On MANILA:—On demand... 44 1/2

On SINGAPORE:—

On demand 30 1/2

On BATAVIA:—On demand... 60 1/2

On HAIKOW:—

On demand 87 1/2

On SAIGON:—On demand 190 1/2

On SOERABAYA:—On demand 114

On SINGAPORE:—On demand 121

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ADVERTISED SAILINGS FROM HONG KONG.

AMSTERDAM.

Pres. Van Buren, Dollar, March 8

Pres. Garfield, Dollar, March 22

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Haiyang, Douglas, March 3.

Hosang, Jardine's, March 4.

Haining, Douglas, March 6.

Haining, Douglas, March 10.

Huichow, B. & S., March 10.

Cheongshing, Jardine's, March 10.

GENOA.

Pres. Van Buren, Dollar, March 8.

Saarbrücken, Melchers, March 8.

Shantung, Gilman's, March 8.

Levokusa, Jensen, March 9.

Venezia-L, Dodwell's, March 9.

Lyons Maru, N.Y.K., March 14.

Saarland, Jensen, March 10.

Eurylochus, B.F., March 20.

Pres. Garfield, Dollar, March 22.

Gange, Dodwell's, March 23.

Formosa, Gilman's, March 31.

Kulmerland, Jensen, April 2.

Coblenz, Melchers, April 4.

GLASGOW.

Antenor, B.F., March 19.

Eurylochus, B.F., March 20.

GOTHENBURG.

Shantung, Gilman's, March 8.

Formosa, Gilman's, March 31.

HAIPHONG AND HOIHOW.

Kiangsu, B. & S., March 3.

Kwangyung, B. & S., March 11.

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CONSIGNEE NOTICES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.
CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.
CONSIGNEES per Co.'s Vessel
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 From UNITED KINGDOM VIA SINGAPORE
 are hereby notified that their Cargo will be discharged into Holt's Wharf, Kowloon, where it will lie at Consignee's risk and subject to Terms and Conditions of Storage at Holt's Wharf. The Cargo will be ready for Delivery from Godown on and after 2nd March.
 Optional Cargo will not be landed here, unless Notice has been given prior to Vessel's arrival, but carried on from port to port to the final port of call to which the option extends.
 All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Thursday and Friday, between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and Noon, within the Free Storage period. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Vessel's Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 9th March will be subject to Rent.
 Claims against the Vessel must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 23rd March, or they will not be recognized.
 No Fire Insurance will be effected.
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
 Agents.
 2nd March, 1931. [404]

"GLEN" LINE, LIMITED.
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
 From UNITED KINGDOM VIA PORTS.

THE Motor Vessel
"GLENBEG"
 having arrived from the above Ports. Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns and/or extra-basement Godowns of the Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence, and/or from the wharves, Delivery may be obtained.
 Goods not cleared by the 9th March, 1931, at Noon, will be subject to Rent.
 All broken, chafed and damaged Packages are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined in the presence of Consignees by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas, on 7th March, 1931, at 10 a.m. Claims against the Vessel, including those for Cargo short delivered must be presented on the Special Form provided, and must also be submitted within 30 days of arrival, otherwise they will not be recognized.
 No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.
 Bills of Lading will be countersigned by **JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,** Agents.
 Hong Kong, 1st March, 1931. [403]

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE.
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Motor Vessel
"KULMERLAND"
 having arrived from the above Ports are hereby notified that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hong Kong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where Delivery can be obtained as the Goods are landed.
 Optional Cargo will be landed, unless Notice has been given prior to Vessel's arrival.
 No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 8th March, 1931, will be subject to Rent.
 All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on 7th March, 1931, at 10 a.m., by our Surveyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.
 All Claims must reach us before the 22nd March, 1931, or they will not be recognized.
 No Insurance will be effected.
 Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Underwriter.
JEBSEN & CO.,
 Agents.
 Hong Kong, 1st March, 1931. [402]

VEREENIGDE NEDERLANDSCHE SCHEEPVAART-MAATSCHAPPIJ.

UNITED NETHERLAND NAVIGATION CO.
HOLLAND-OOST AZIE LIJN
 (HOLLAND-EAST ASIA LINE).

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
 From AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG, BREMEN, GENOA, AN ANTIWERP.

THE Steamship
"Z. SMA"
 having arrived from the above Ports Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby notified that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns and/or extra-basement Godowns of the China Provision Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd. whence and/or from the wharves Delivery may be obtained.
 Goods not cleared by the 9th March, 1931, will be subject to Rent.
 All broken, chafed and damaged Packages are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 7th March, 1931, at 10 a.m., by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas, Hong Kong.
 Claims against the Vessel must be presented in writing within Ten days after arrival of Steamer, otherwise they will not be recognized.
 No Insurance will be effected by the Underwriter in any case whatever.
 Bills of Lading will be countersigned by **JAVA-CHINA JAPAN LIJN,** General Agents.
 Hong Kong, 3rd March, 1931. [399]



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 From Garfield, Sun, Mar. 22, 8 a.m. From Adams, Sun, Apr. 19, 8 a.m.

To Manila
 From Madison, Mar. 10, 6 p.m. From Jackson, Mar. 24, 8 p.m.
 From Pierce, Mar. 14, 6 p.m. From Taft, Mar. 28, 6 p.m.
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S.S. "BAARLAND" (1)	Genoa, Marseilles, Rotterdam & Hamburg	6 Mar.
M.V. "KULMERLAND" (1)	Genoa, Rotterdam & Hamburg	2 Apr.

Other Ports of Call (Inducement offers).

ARRIVALS FROM EUROPE.

VESSEL	FROM	DUE HONG KONG.
S.S. "OLDENBURG" (1)	Genoa, Rotterdam & Hamburg	17 Mar.
M.V. "BURGENLAND" (1)	Genoa, Rotterdam & Hamburg	29 Mar.
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PRINCE LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
 From NEW YORK.

THE Motor Vessel
"GIRALDE PRINCE"
 having arrived from the above Port on 2.4 instant, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and stored at Consignee's risk and expense.
 All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on Monday, 2nd March, 1931, at 10 a.m.
 All Claims must be presented within 15 days of the Vessel's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.
 No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 3rd March, 1931, will be subject to Rent.
 No Fire Insurance will be effected.
 Bills of Lading will be countersigned by **FURNESS (FAR EAST) LTD.,** 2nd Floor, King's Building, Connaught Road, Telephone 28165.
 Hong Kong, 24th Feb. 1931. [40]

THE Steamship
"BENVECKIE"
 Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns and/or extra-basement Godowns of the Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., whence, and/or from the wharves Delivery may be obtained.
 No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 7th March will be subject to Rent.
 All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 21st March, or they will not be recognized.
 All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 6th March at 10 a.m., by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.
 No Fire Insurance has been effected.
 Bills of Lading will be countersigned by **GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Ltd.,** Agents.
 Hong Kong, 23rd Feb. 1931. [391]

FURNESS (FAR EAST) LTD.,
 2nd Floor, King's Building, Connaught Road, Telephone 28165.
 Hong Kong, 24th Feb. 1931. [40]

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Ltd.,
 Agents.
 Hong Kong, 23rd Feb. 1931. [391]

DAILY SHARE QUOTATIONS

HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE.
SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION.

HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE.				SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION.			
Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nominal	Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nominal
MONDAY, MARCH 2.							
Banks							
2100/5	ex div.	2105	H.K. Banks	2105	ex div.	2105	
2100/5	ex div.	2105	Do (London)	2105	ex div.	2105	
2100/5	ex div.	2105	Chartered Bank	2105	ex div.	2105	
2100/5	ex div.	2105	Mercantile Bks "A"	2105	ex div.	2105	
2100/5	ex div.	2105	Do "C"	2105	ex div.	2105	
2100/5	ex div.	2105	Bank of East Asia	2105	ex div.	2105	
Insurance							
1400	...	1407 1/2	Canton Insurance	1407 1/2	...	1407 1/2	
1400	...	1407 1/2	Underwriters	1407 1/2	...	1407 1/2	
1400	...	1407 1/2	North China	1407 1/2	...	1407 1/2	
1400	...	1407 1/2	Shanghai Insurance	1407 1/2	...	1407 1/2	
1400	...	1407 1/2	Yangtze Insurance	1407 1/2	...	1407 1/2	
1400	...	1407 1/2	China Fire	1407 1/2	...	1407 1/2	
1400	...	1407 1/2	H.K. Fire	1407 1/2	...	1407 1/2	
Shipping							
228	...	228 1/2	Douglas	228 1/2	...	228 1/2	
228	...	228 1/2	Steamboats	228 1/2	...	228 1/2	
228	...	228 1/2	Indos (pref.)	228 1/2	...	228 1/2	
228	...	228 1/2	Do (def.)	228 1/2	...	228 1/2	
228	...	228 1/2	Shell Transport	228 1/2	...	228 1/2	
228	...	228 1/2	Water-loads, cum. r.	228 1/2	...	228 1/2	
Mining							
360	...	360	Benque	360	...	360	
360	...	360	Venezuela Gold Flds.	360	...	360	
360	...	360	Kailans	360	...	360	
360	...	360	Langkats (comb.)	360	...	360	
360	...	360	Do (single)	360	...	360	
360	...	360	Explorations	360	...	360	
360	...	360	Shanghai Loans	360	...	360	
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Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc.							
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360	...	360	Shanghai Docks	360	...	360	
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360	...	360	Hongkong	360	...	360	
Lands, Hotels, and Buildings							
360	...	360	H.K. & S. Hotels	360	...	360	
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360	...	360	Humphreys, cum. r.	360	...	360	
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Cotton Mills							
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Public Utilities							
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360	...	360	China Lights	360	...	360	
360	...	360	L. K. Electric	360	...	360	
360	...	360	Macao do	360	...	360	
360	...	360	Sandakan Lights	360	...	360	
360	...	360	Telephones (fully pd.)	360	...	360	
360	...	360	Do (part pd.)	360	...	360	
360	...	360	China Buses	360	...	360	
360	...	360	Tramways	360	...	360	
360	...	360	Do (pref.)	360	...	360	
Industrial							
360	...	360	Caldbeck (ord.)	360	...	360	
360	...	360	Macgregors (pref.)	360	...	360	
360	...	360	Canton Iron	360	...	360	
360	...	360	Cement (comb.)	360	...	360	
360	...	360	Do (old)	360	...	360	
360	...	360	Do (new)	360	...	360	
360	...	360	Ropes	360	...	360	
360	...	360	China Sugars	360	...	360	
360	...	360	Malayan Sugars	360	...	360	
Miscellaneous							
360	...	360	Dairy Farms (old)	360	...	360	
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Kaukung (except Saturdays)	8.00 p.m.	8.00 p.m.	8.00 p.m.	8.00 p.m.
Fatshan (By Train)	7.15 a.m.	7.15 a.m.	7.15 a.m.	7.15 a.m.
Tai Po	9.00 a.m. & 3.00 p.m.	9.00 a.m. & 3.00 p.m.	9.00 a.m. & 3.00 p.m.	9.00 a.m. & 3.00 p.m.
Shumchun	9.00 a.m. & 3.00 p.m.	9.00 a.m. & 3.00 p.m.	9.00 a.m. & 3.00 p.m.	9.00 a.m. & 3.00 p.m.
Chungchow	12.30 p.m. & 4.30 p.m.	12.30 p.m. & 4.30 p.m.	12.30 p.m. & 4.30 p.m.	12.30 p.m. & 4.30 p.m.
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Stanley	8.30 a.m. & 1.00 p.m.	8.30 a.m. & 1.00 p.m.	8.30 a.m. & 1.00 p.m.	8.30 a.m. & 1.00 p.m.
Shatin, Sha Tau Kok and Sheungshui	3.00 p.m.	3.00 p.m.	3.00 p.m.	3.00 p.m.
Salkung	4.30 p.m.	4.30 p.m.	4.30 p.m.	4.30 p.m.
Namtan, Shekhi & Tai Ping Fung	7.00 p.m.	7.00 p.m.	7.00 p.m.	7.00 p.m.

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FROM	PER	DATE
MAISON, SHANGHAI and EUROPE via SIBERIA (London, 13th February)	D'Aragnan	3rd Mar.
CHINA, SHANGHAI and EUROPE via SIBERIA (London, 13th February)	Chienocoe	3rd Mar.
STRAITS	Typhat	3rd Mar.
SHANGHAI	Ormer	3rd Mar.
SHANGHAI and SWATOW	Haiti	4th Mar.
SHANGHAI and M. H. H.	St. Albans	4th Mar.
JAPAN	Sydney Maru	4th Mar.
KURITA via NEOPATAM (Letters only, London, 5th Feb.)	Haiti Maru	4th Mar.
U.S.A., HONOLULU, JAPAN and SHANGHAI (San Francisco, 5th Feb.)	Haiti Maru	4th Mar.
STRAITS	Haiti Maru	4th Mar.
U.S.A., HONOLULU, JAPAN and SHANGHAI (San Francisco, 13th February)	Haiti Maru	4th Mar.

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SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"SINKIANG"	On 3rd Mar.	Noon
HONGKONG & SHANGHAI	"KIANGSU"	On 3rd Mar.	5 p.m.
SHANGHAI, CHEONG & TIENTSIN	"CHENGTO"	On 3rd Mar.	5 p.m.
SHANGHAI	"KANGHOU"	On 4th Mar.	5 p.m.
AMOI & SHANGHAI	"TSINAN"	On 4th Mar.	5 p.m.
NINGPO & SHANGHAI	"NINGPO"	On 5th Mar.	5 p.m.
AMOI	"ANKING"	On 5th Mar.	5 p.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"BOOCHOW"	On 8th Mar.	8 a.m.
SWATOW & HONGKONG	"KAYING"	On 8th Mar.	11 a.m.
SWATOW, AMOI, SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"ANHUI"	On 9th Mar.	3 p.m.
SHANGHAI, NEWCHANG & DALNY	"TEAN"	On 9th Mar.	5 p.m.
SWATOW, FOOCHOW, WUZHAIWEI	"HUICHOW"	On 10th Mar.	6 a.m.
CHONG & TIENTSIN	"KWEIYANG"	On 11th Mar.	Noon
HONGKONG & SHANGHAI	"TAIYUAN"	On 11th Mar.	5 p.m.
AMOI & SHANGHAI	"KUNGHOU"	On 13th Mar.	8 a.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"KINGYUAN"	On 13th Mar.	Noon
HONGKONG, PAKHOI & HAIKONG	"KUNGHOU"	On 27th Mar.	Noon

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M.S. "Danmark"	28th Mar.	27th April
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STATION	MARCH 1, 1931.										MARCH 2, 1931									
	Barom.	Therm.	Wind	Cloud	Humid.	Barom.	Therm.	Wind	Cloud	Humid.	Barom.	Therm.	Wind	Cloud	Humid.	Barom.	Therm.	Wind	Cloud	Humid.
Windsorstock	12	80.29	76.84	22	...	NE	1	...	6	...	80.33	77.02	12	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Nemuro	11	29.76	76.00	...	...	NE	1	...	5	...	29.98	76.15	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hakodate	...	29.82	76.00	...	...	NNW	3	...	...	...	30.06	76.85	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tokio	...	29.95	76.10	...	...	NW	4	...	...	...	30.30	76.85	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kochi	...	30.22	76.75	...	...	NW	1	...	...	...	30.39	77.20	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Nagasaki	...	30.33	77.05	...	...	N	2	...	...	...	30.43	77.80	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kagoshima	...	30.28	76.90	...	...	NW	1	...	...	...	30.39	77.20	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Oshima	...	30.28	76.85	...	...	N	3	...	...	...	30.32	77.00	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Naha	...	30.20	76.85	...	...	NNW	4	...	...	...	30.26	76.85	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ishigakijima	...	30.28	76.90	...	...	NNE	2	...	...	...	30.20	76.70	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bonin Island	...	29.96	76.10	...	...	NNW	2	...	...	...	30.16	76.60	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chitose	13	30.48	77.42	36	...	NW	2	...	6	...	30.49	77.20	38	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Shanghai	14	30.62	77.52	40	...	NE	2	...	6	...	30.48	77.52	38	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Gutzlaff	...	30.61	77.75	38	...	N	2	...	...	...	30.52	77.52	38	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Wenchow	...	30.48	77.42	38	...	NE	6	...	...	...	30.41	77.52	41	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Foochow	...	30.71	76.73	52	...	NE	4	...	7	...	30.61	76.80	44	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Amoy	...	30.36	77.11	56	...	NE	4	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Swatow
Taihu	11	30.35	77.08	54	...	E	4	...	5	...	30.19	76.85	58	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Taichu	...	30.25	76.84	56	...	NE	1	...	...	...	30.15	76.58	58	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sinan	...	30.20	76.70	57	...	NNE	2	...	...	...	30.11	76.48	58	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Aoshan	...	30.16	76.60	74	...	NE	6	...	...	...	30.09	76.43	67	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Pescadore	...	30.24	76.80	69	...	NNE	5	...	...	...	30.12	76.54	67	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hong Kong	14	30.14	76.50	68	...	E	6	...	...	...	30.05	76.32	68	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Gap Rock	...	30.12	76.50	65	...	E	2	...	...	...	30.07	76.34	58	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Macao	...	30.05	76.32	69	...	E	3	...	...	...	29.99	76.17	70	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Holbow	...	30.09	76.43	72	...	E	6	...	...	...	30.04	76.31	70	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Pratas Island	...	29.99	76.18	64	...	ENE	3	...	...	...	29.99	76.16	68	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Phallion	...	29.94	76.04	74	...	SE	2	...	...	...	29.98	76.10	72	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tournao	...	29.89	75.93	63	...	ENE	6	...	...	...	29.91	75.94	72	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cape St. James	...	30.06	76.86	86	...	NE	4	...	...	...	30.05	76.83	70	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Basco	14	29.95	76.07	79	...	NE	4	...	...	...	29.99	76.18	74	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Aparr	...	29.94	76.06	72	...	NE	2	...	...	...	29.97	76.12	70	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tuguegarao	...	29.89	75.91	86	...	N	4	...	...	...	29.90	75.95	76	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Vigan	...	29.89	75.91	86	...	N	4	...	...	...	29.90	75.95	76	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Manila	...	29.89	75.91	86	...	N	4	...	...	...	29.90	75.95	76	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Legaspi	...	29.91	75.98	86	...	NNE	4	...	...	...	29.93	76.03	79	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Calbayog	...	29.89	75.95	79	...	NNE	4	...	...	...	29.94	76.04	70	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tacloban	...	29.89	75.93	88	...	N	4	...	...	...	29.93	76.01	77	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Boho	...	29.89	75.93	88	...	NE	4	...	...	...	29.92	76.00	78	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cebu	...	29.87	75.88	86	...	NE	4	...	...	...	29.96	76.10	76	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Surigao	...	29.88	75.90	86	...	ENE	4	...	...	...	29.90	75.94	77	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Alapan
Guam	12.22	29.86	75.83	...	...	NE	4	...	4.22	...	29.91	75.96	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Yap	...	11.00	29.85	75.82	...	ENE	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Pelaw
Labuan	14	29.84	75.79	76	...	N	4	...	...	...	29.83	75.77	78	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

March 2d, 10A. 42m.—The anticyclone has weakened and is now central over the Yellow Sea.
Moderating monsoon along the S.E. coast of China and over the N. China Sea.
Hong Kong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.03 inch. Total since January 1, 0.90 inch, against an average of 3.23 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON OF MARCH 3.

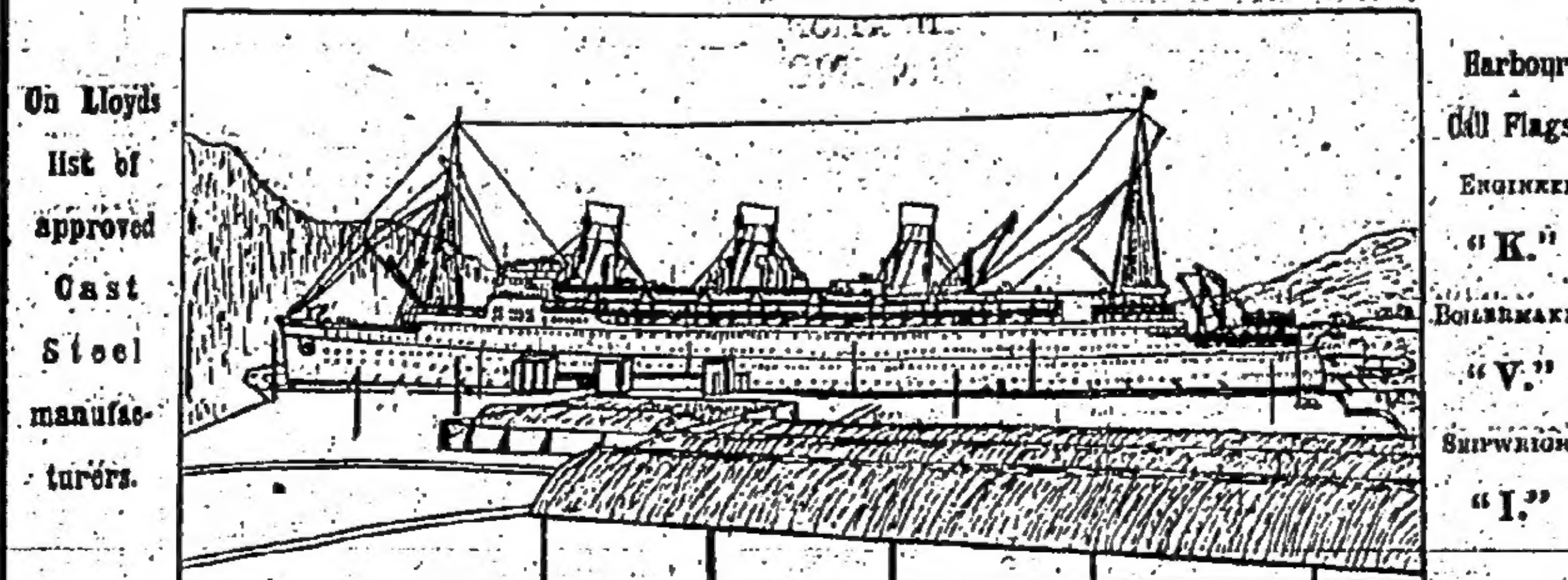
1.—Formosa Channel.
2.—South coast of China between Hong Kong and Lamook.
3.—Hong Kong to Gap Rock.
4.—South coast of China between Hong Kong and Hainan.
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	"FOOSHING"	Sun., 8th Mar., at 7 a.m.
	"KWAISANG"	Wed., 11th Mar., at 7 a.m.
	"HOPSANG"	Sun., 15th Mar., at 7 a.m.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"KUMSANG"	Wed., 4th Mar., at 3 p.m.
	"SUISANG"	Mon., 8th Mar., at 3 p.m.
	"HOSANG"	Satur., 13th Mar., at 3 p.m.
OSAKA via AMOI, MOJI & KOBE	"HOSANG"	Wed., 4th Mar., at 7 a.m.
OSAKA via AMOI, SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE	"KUTSANG"	Tues., 17th Mar., at 7 a.m.
OSAKA via AMOI, MOJI & KOBE	"YUENSANG"	Mon., 30th Mar., at 7 a.m.
SANDAKAN	"MAUSANG"	Wed., 11th Mar., at Noon
	"HINSANG"	Wed., 18th Mar., at Noon
TIENTSIN via SWATOW, FOOCHOW & WUZHAIWEI	"CHIPSANG"	Fri., 6th Mar., at 7 a.m.
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Empress of Canada	Apr. 25	Apr. 28	Apr. 30	May 2	May 14
Empress of Japan	May 8	May 11	May 14	May 16	May 25
Empress of Asia	May 23	May 26	May 29	May 31	June 10
Empress of Canada	June 5	June 8	June 11	June 13	June 23
Empress of Japan	June 18	June 21	June 24	June 26	July 5
Empress of Asia	July 12	July 15	July 18	July 20	July 29
Empress of Canada	July 26	July 29	Aug. 1	Aug. 3	Aug. 12
Empress of Japan	Aug. 15	Aug. 18	Aug. 21	Aug. 23	Aug. 30
Empress of Asia	Aug. 28	Aug. 31	Sept. 3	Sept. 5	Sept. 14

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KAGA MARU	Wednesday	11th March
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KANAGAWA MARU	Tuesday	14th April
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TAKETOYO MARU	Thursday	12th March
LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Suez, Constantinople, Genoa & Marseilles		
LYONS MARU	Saturday	14th March
DALOUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon		
PENANG MARU	Sunday	8th March
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British	H.K.	Port.
Persous, Singapore	1,403	2,026
Glenbeig, Singapore	850	1,037
Kanchow, Amoy	303	292
Fooshing, Swatow	160	1,700
Kwangtung, Canton	—	1,000
Antung, Hoihow	200	10
Haiyann, Swatow	480	—
Borneo, Saigon	2,401	—
Dutch		
Tjikragang, Amoy	—	850
Norwegian		
Prominent, Hoihow	930	—
Kulmerland, Manila	2,884	3,741
Japanese		
Tenyo Maru, Singapore	56	9,740
Sancho Maru, Keelung	720	500
Chichibu Maru, Kobe	500	—
Panama Maru, Moji	355	2,884
Chinese		
Cheung On, Shanghai	302	—
Shanmei	—	302
Total	11,434	23,245

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

Arr.	Dep.
British	8
Dutch	3
Norwegian	2
German	1
Japanese	4
Chinese	1
French	0
Total	19

ASIATIC DECK PASSENGERS.

The following vessels brought Asiatic deck passengers to the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday:—

Antung (British) Singapore	68
Haiyann (British) Foodchow	200
Borneo (British) Saigon	263
Tjikragang (Dutch) Shanghai	116
Prominent (Norwegian) Penang	201
Tenyo Maru (Japanese) Singapore	64
Cheung On (Chinese) Shanghai	77
Total	1,058

ARRIVALS.

March 1.
Antung, British str., 2,107 tons, Capt. G. Morse, from Hoihow, buoy No. 315.—B. & S.
Chichibu Maru, Japanese m.s., 17,497 tons, Capt. Y. Arakida, from Yokohama, Kowloon Wharf.—N.Y.K.

Glenbeig, British m.s., 9,461 tons, Capt. L. Newing, from Europe via Singapore, Kowloon Wharf.—J. M. & Co.

Kanchow, British str., 1,222 tons, Capt. J. H. Fairley, from Amoy, buoy No. B3.—B. & S.

Kulmerland, German m.s., 7,303 tons, Capt. Paul Kusser, from Hamburg, Kowloon Wharf.—Jensen & Co.

Menado Maru, Japanese str., 1,385 tons, Capt. T. Kawasata, from Haiphong, O.S.K. Wharf.—O.S.K.

Persous, British str., 6,333 tons, Capt. D. Mansfield, from Singapore, Holt's Wharf.—B. & S.

Prominent, Norwegian str., 1,877 tons, Capt. H. Jensen, from Hoihow, buoy No. C4.—K. Larsen & Co.

Sancho Maru, Japanese str., 694 tons, Capt. M. Tange, from Keelung, Yau-mai Anchorage.—M.B.K.

Sipora, Dutch str., 941 tons, Capt. S. Bakker, from Canton, Yau-mai Anchorage.—J.C.J.L.

Tjikragang, Dutch str., 4,004 tons, Capt. P. Hopman, from Amoy, buoy No. A1.—J.C.J.L.

Uprecht, Dutch str., 700 tons, Capt. J. H. Kop, from Canton, Tai-kok-tai Anchorage.—A.P.C.

March 2.

Borneo, British str., 1,204 tons, Capt. R. A. Prichard, from Saigon, buoy No. A5.—Wo Fat Sing.

Chenglu, British str., 1,333 tons, Capt. W. L. Thomas, from Canton, Taikoo Dock.—B. & S.

Persous, Swedish str., 4,330 tons, Capt. Ahlberg, from Bangkok, buoy No. A11.—Gillman & Co.

Koromik, British str., 1,541 tons, Capt. E. Jones, from Samarinda, Yau-mai Anchorage.—Williamson & Co.

Kueichow, British str., 1,220 tons, Capt. D. Williams, from Canton, Taikoo Dock.—B. & S.

Panama Maru, Japanese str., 5,000 tons, Capt. S. Kurimura, from Yokohama via Moji, Kowloon Wharf.—O.S.K.

Pres. Lincoln, American str., 8,350 tons, Capt. W. A. Ross, from Manila, Kowloon Wharf.—Dollar S.S. Line.

SHIPS IN HARBOUR.

The following vessels were in port yesterday:—

Wharves:—Kowloon: Panama Maru, Kulmerland, Katagorin, Boverackie; Holt's: Persous; Jardine Matheson's: Fooshing; C.S.K.: Canton Maru; Douglas: Laprak; Huiyang.
Buoys:—A2: Tenyo Maru, A4: Tjikragang, A5: Borneo, A7: Tjikragang, A8: Anking, A10: Kingtau, B1: Chankong, B3: Kanchow, B5: Wing Lee, B14: Kwangtung, B15: Antung, B16: Chungkong, B17: Tonkin, B18: Mao Lee, B26: Tishow, C1: Taiyui Maru, C2: Naitangata, C3: Hirado, C4: Prominent, C1 Nitaga Maru.

CLEARANCES.

March 2.

Antung, for Amoy.
Denyackie, for Keelung.
Chenglu, for Shanghai.
Chungkong, for Tournay.
Formosa, for Kobe.
Glenbeig, for Shanghai.
Hydrang, for Swatow.
Kanchow, for Canton.
Koromik, for Canton.
Kulmerland, for Foodchow.
Kwangtung, for Dany.
Mao Lee, for Tientsin.
Panama Maru, for Singapore.
Patagonier, for Shanghai.
Persous, for Shanghai.
Pres. Lincoln, for Seattle.
Sancho Maru, for Canton.
Tjikragang, for Manila.
Tonkin, for Haiphong.
Utrecht, for Swatow.

PASSENGERS

Arrivals.

The following passengers arrived by a.s. President Lincoln:—Sr. Constantine Alingon, Miss Bertha C. Boddy, Mr. Chun Boon Pen, Mr. Glenn E. Cox, Mrs. Louise G. Ollingham, Master Benjamin Dillingham, Mr. J. Passmore Elkinton, Mr. John A. Ferlie, Mr. Alfonso Fernandez, Miss Anna Gaeor, Mr. Alexander Geraor, Miss Molly Gibbs, Miss Helene Griffiths, Mr. Geshi Karikome, Mr. Khoo Se Deng, Mr. Harbert Kirby, Mr. John E. Lunkley, Mr. B. F. Mills, Sr. Maria Muller, Mrs. Eunice Pascoe, Miss Betty E. Pascoe, Mrs. Ida M. Poor, Mr. Paul Richter, Mr. Marie T. Rozat, Sr. Benvenuto Schoch, Mrs. A. M. Thompson, Mrs. Lucy Vacheron.

March 2.

The E. & A. s.s. St. Albans left Manila for this port on the 1st instant with the outward Australian mails, and is due here to-morrow morning.

The P. & O. s.s. Mirzapore left Singapore for this port on the 28th ult. at noon and is due here on March 3 at 8 a.m.

The R.M.S. Empress of Japan left Vancouver for Hong Kong, via Japan ports and Shanghai, on February 28 and is due here on March 20. She will leave for Manila at 5 p.m. on March 21.

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"SOMALI"	—	21st Mar.	L'don, Hull, R'dm. & A'warp
"RAWALPINDI"	16,619	28th Mar.	Marseilles & London.
"KARMALA"	9,123	11th Apr.	Mars, L'don, Hull, R'dm. & A'warp
"RAJPUTANA"	16,663	18th Apr.	Marseilles & London.
"SOUDAN"	—	25th Apr.	Mars, L'don, Hull, R'dm. & A'warp
"KALYAN"	9,144	2nd May	Mars, L'don, Hull, R'dm. & A'warp
"COMORIN"	15,132	9th May	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
"KASHMIR"	9,855	16th May	Mars, L'don, Hull, R'dm. & A'warp
"KARNATAKA"	16,601	23rd May	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
"KASHGAR"	9,805	30th May	Mars, L'don, Hull, R'dm. & A'warp
"KEYBER"	9,114	6th June	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
"RAWALPINDI"	16,619	13th June	Mars, L'don, Hull, R'dm. & A'warp
"KARNATAKA"	16,663	20th June	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
"KASHMIR"	9,855	27th June	Mars, L'don, Hull, R'dm. & A'warp
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"KARNATAKA"	16,663	15th Aug.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
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"KARNATAKA"	16,663	29th Aug.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
"KASHMIR"	9,855	5th Sept.	Mars, L'don, Hull, R'dm. & A'warp
"KARNATAKA"	16,663	12th Sept.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
"KASHMIR"	9,855	19th Sept.	Mars, L'don, Hull, R'dm. & A'warp
"KARNATAKA"	16,663	26th Sept.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
"KASHMIR"	9,855	3rd Oct.	Mars, L'don, Hull, R'dm. & A'warp
"KARNATAKA"	16,663	10th Oct.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
"KASHMIR"	9,855	17th Oct.	Mars, L'don, Hull, R'dm. & A'warp
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"SANTHA"	7,754	13th Mar.	b'z'am, Moji, Kobe & Y'hama
"KARNATAKA"	9,123	14th Mar.	do.
"SODDAN"		19th Mar.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka
"TALMA"	10,000	25th Mar.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"RAJPUTANA"	16,486	27th Mar.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Y'hama
"NELLIORE"	6,242	6th Apr.	Amoy, S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka
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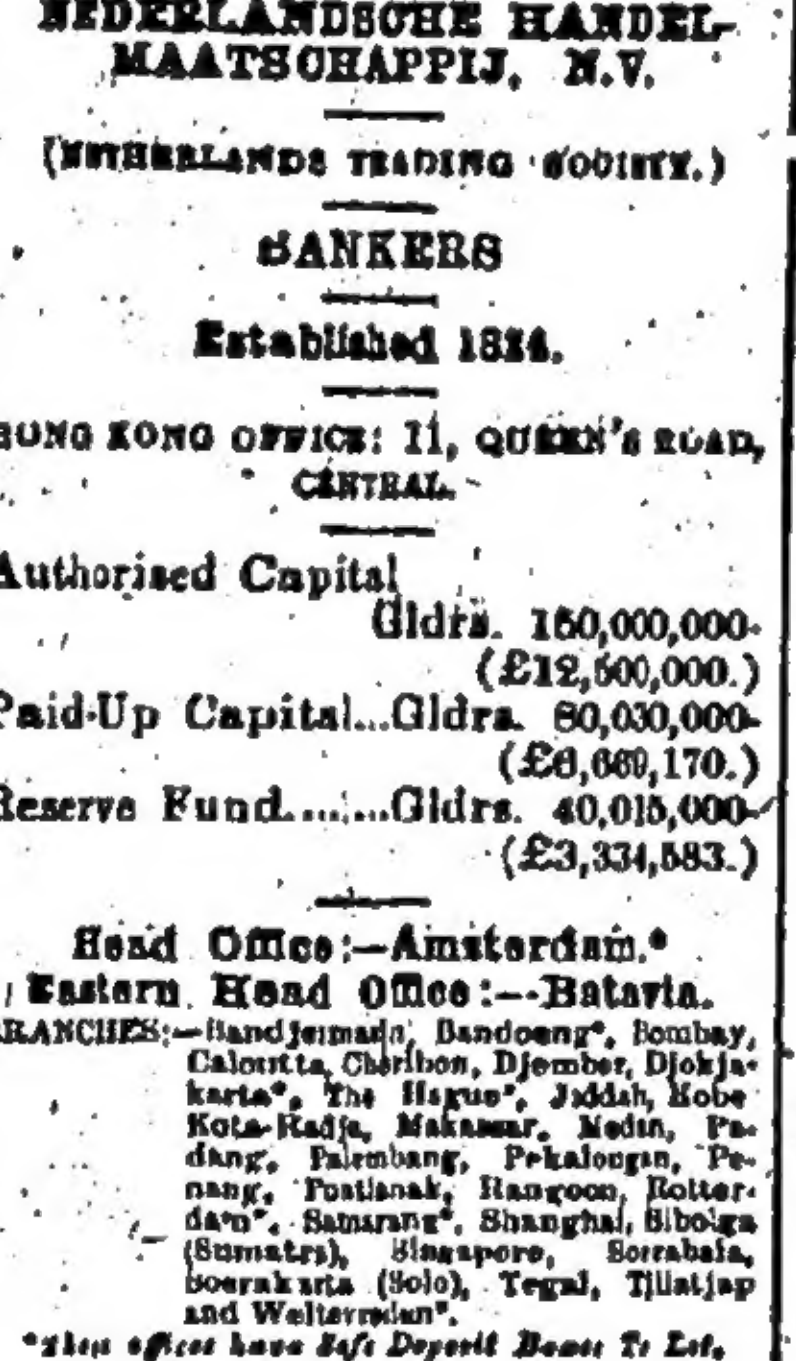
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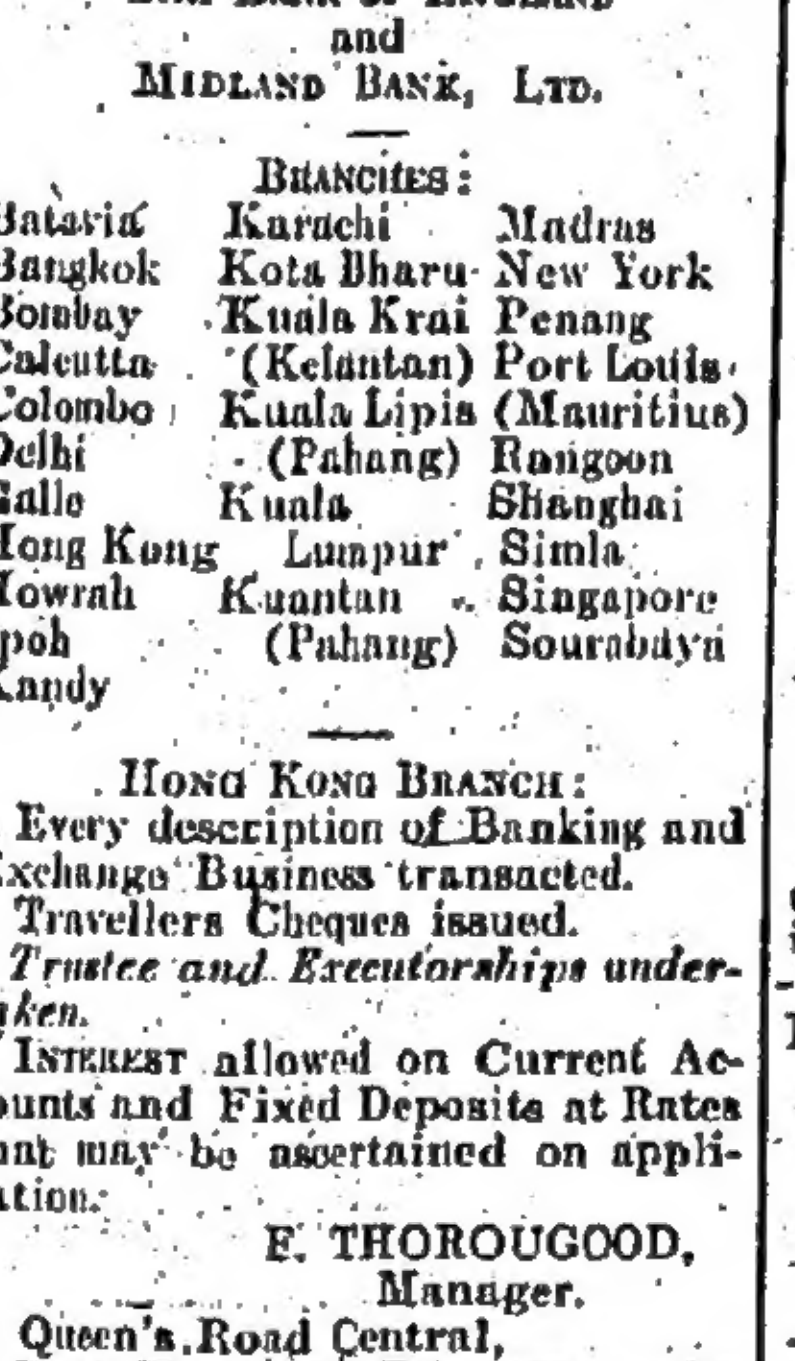
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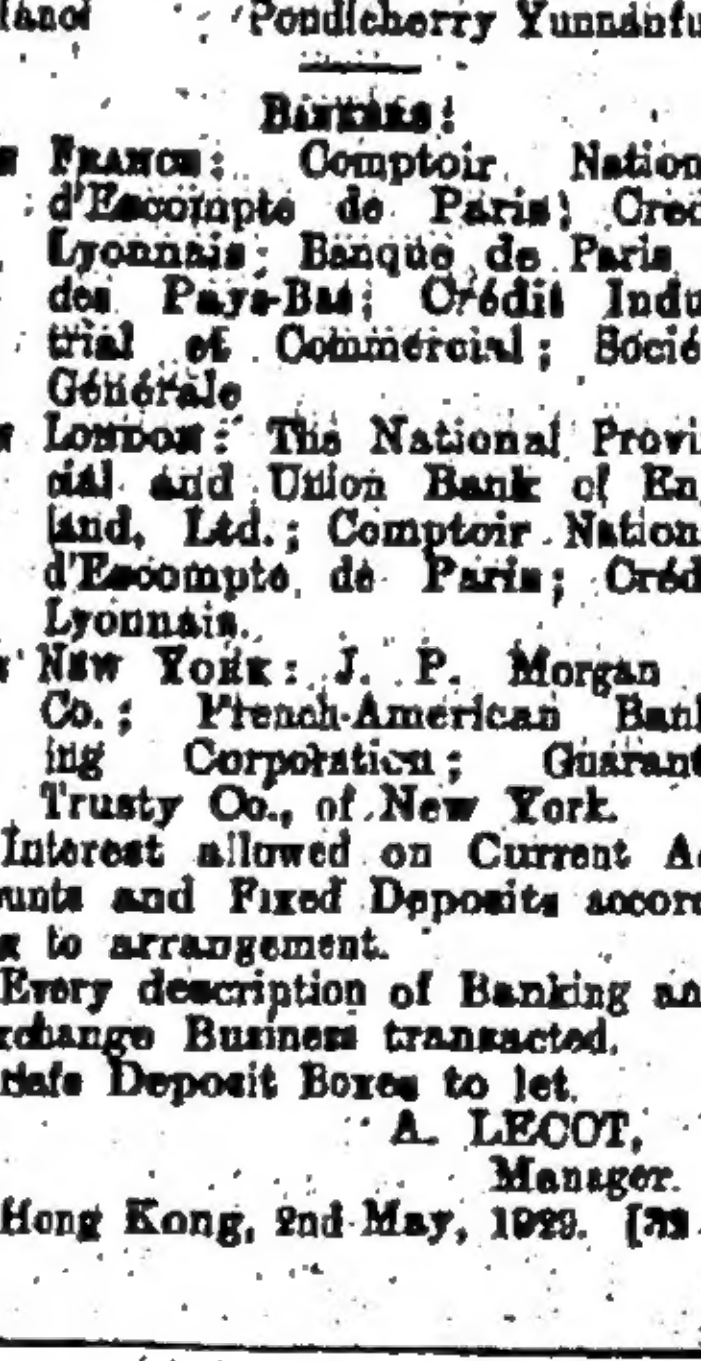
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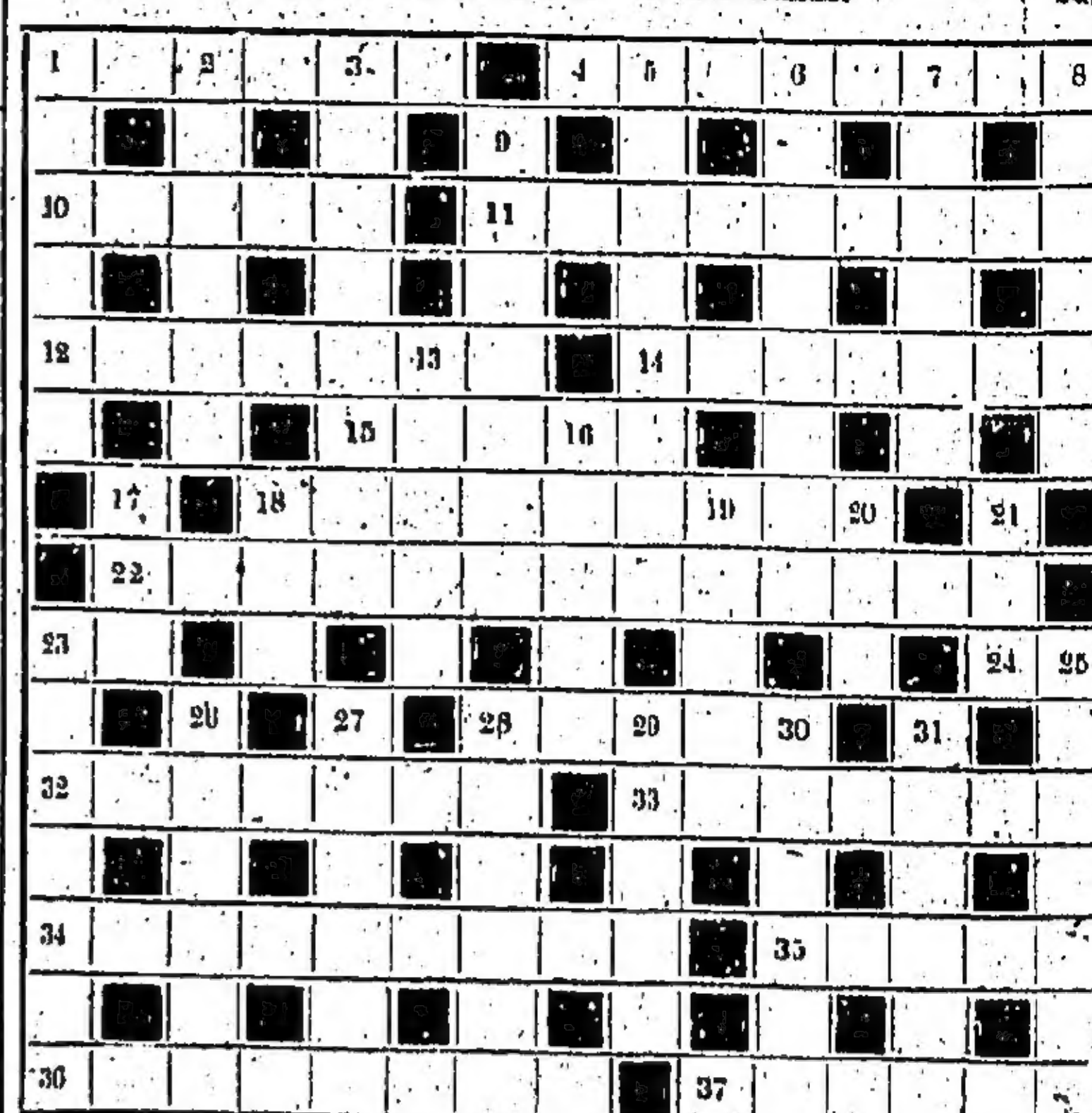
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CLUES.

- Across.
- Mr. Gladstone's last bites promoted the peroration of this.
 - Old salts become this from excessive salt.
 - This has been through all the arches.
 - Mutual communication in which the senses play no part.
 - If she moves petulantly thus, then this will move accordingly.
 - Anagram of "moister"; well adapted for fitting in.
 - First name of a well-known member of the Dail.
 - Hopeful attempt to undo the mischief done at the tower in Shinarump.
 - One means of consolidating the interests of rival dynasties or races.
 - End of 35 across and 6 down.
 - This brief notice of death has often entailed the addition of a down.
 - She rejuvenated her father-in-law by sowing him.
 - Treacherously made himself "absolute Milan," ousting his brother.
 - Together both. Under the opening of the morn, "Oh Urvee Afield."
 - Remove a little ancient from this Spanish saint and it will still be the same place, though the Spanish saint is missing.
 - With 23 across. This, if a firm, may be very valuable.
 - Thou visitest the earth and it.
 - Headless 25 down; don't be this for more trouble from me.
- Down.
- John Anthony and David Roberts are the protagonists in this contest.
 - Added to 24 across makes a blank.
 - A Venetian colourist, most familiarly known from another city's name.
 - Anything of this sort requires a column to explain it.
 - With 23 across. Injury, losses, or wrongs may call for this.
 - A Venetian peninsula since 1918.
 - Author of "All for Love".
 - Look up and be reminded.
 - An island where Tiberius enjoyed the air and scenery, etc.
 - They who speak thus are usually said to do so humorously.
 - Hogarth depicted this alley.
 - Used recently to avoid unpleasant details.
 - Ascending you will find this long.
 - While half is better than no bread, three-quarters is ill-bred.
 - Salvation came before this.
 - (Rev.)—In getting to this place from Troy you pass Amsterdam, Syracuse, and Rochester.
 - Those who are doing this, not here, are probably colouring the epidemic which is there.
 - Humorously adopted from our former foes to express the administration of a wigging.
 - These may add to the score as well as intentional blows.
 - Hawthorne got these from an old manna.
 - "Earless, on high, stood unashamed," wrote Pope.
 - A lady of this place was beloved too well by Paolo.
 - The solution will be published to-morrow.

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